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#### PREFACE

A student takes up the study of a modern foreign language with one or more of these five purposes: to acquire a knowledge of the grammar of that language; to enable himself to understand that language as written; to enable himself to understand that language as spoken; to enable himself to speak that language; to enable himself to write that language.

It is my firm belief that in the teaching of a modern foreign language to students who have passed the age of childhood the first several weeks should be devoted exclusively and intensively to enabling them to acquire a good understanding of that language as written and spoken; and that the study of the grammar as such, and the endeavor to train students to speak and write the language, should be postponed until a good understanding of the language as written and spoken has been attained.

This I believe to be true not only for students who need primarily the ability to understand the language as written, but also for those who desire primarily a practical speaking and writing knowledge; for those who desire primarily a knowledge of the grammar; and for those who desire the complete fivefold mastery of the language. In any of these three latter cases the desired knowledge cannot be attained in a single collegiate term (or quarter or semester); and the question thus stands open as to whether or not it is best to give the several types of training simultaneously. Suppose a practical speaking and writing knowledge is desired: will that knowledge be better attained, say at the end of a year's

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work, if the specific training in speaking and writing is started at the beginning of the year, or if it is postponed for several weeks in favor of an exclusive and intensive development of understanding of the language as spoken and written?

My conviction is that the latter course is the more natural and the easier, and that it leads to results of far better quality. It is natural, in preparation for intellectual creative work in any field, that a period of observation and absorption should precede creative activity. Composition, written or oral, as a feature of initial elementary instruction takes a large share of the student's time and energy, and leads to the commission of more errors, and consequently to the development of more discouragement and hostility, than any other part of the work. Furthermore, the practice of composition at the start gets the student into the habit of framing a foreign sentence as a succession of isolated words, with a laborious dependence on models and vocabularies. and leads to the formation of many erroneous first impressions. Such linguistic tendencies are vicious in the extreme and are very hard to overcome.

If on the other hand the composition be deferred until a considerable acquaintance with the foreign language itself has been attained, the student is able to deal with word groups instead of single words; he may draw freely upon a considerable store of linguistic experience instead of being tied to particular lists and examples; and he can compose with no great danger of excavating brain paths that lead only to red ink.

The one value that can in my judgment be reasonably claimed for composition as a feature of early elementary work is a certain fixative value in the illustration of grammatical points; but I believe that fixation is in any case better gained by repeated sight of the foreign form or idiom.

Similarly, and still more easily, could one justify the program I am recommending if the specific purpose of the student is the scientific study of the grammar as such.

I have assumed hitherto that the several purposes with which one may study a language are on the same level of importance: but such is not in fact the case. Nearly all students desire knowledge of the language as written; and for at least nine students out of ten this knowledge is of primary importance, for it carries with it the potential acquaintance with all of the thought—whether philosophical, religious, social, political, literary, or scientific-which the country in question has regarded as worth preserving. Many students ask for "a speaking knowledge," but not more than one student in ten, in an American class, is likely to have actual need of the ability to speak the foreign language; and not more than one student in a hundred is likely to have actual need of the ability to write the foreign language. Those who desire primarily a knowledge of the grammar as such are very few indeed. The plan of study already proposed on the basis of its intrinsic merits follows then the very course traced by the chief interest of the great majority of students.

If my thesis is correct, the book used in the first several weeks should be a book designed exclusively for the development of an understanding of the language as written and spoken. No modern foreign-language elementary book known to me is so designed. In some books, written evidently in the classic tradition, the grammar itself is presented as the primary object of study. This method tends to result in the inclusion of material which is of distinctly secondary importance, in emphases that arouse the hostility of the beginner, and in an order of treatment that impedes swift progress toward a wide understanding. Other

elementary books present the material very largely from the point of view of one who wishes to translate into the foreign language. This, for the reasons already stated, I believe to be putting the cart before the horse. I do not mean to imply that modern foreign-language elementary books neglect entirely the development of the understanding of the language as spoken or written; but I do mean that they do not recognize and maintain the predominant importance of such development.

In accordance with these several convictions, I have designed the present book consistently from the point of view of enabling the student to acquire a good understanding of written and spoken Italian. Each new problem is approached from this point of view; the order of presentation is the corresponding order of pedagogic convenience; and the exercises are devoted exclusively to developing the understanding of Italian.

The endeavor consistently to present the material from this point of view has led to many results, in statement, in emphasis, in order, and in the disregard of minor exceptions. which are wholly at variance with tradition. The plural of nouns, articles, and adjectives, for instance, is treated not in such a way that the student shall learn "how to form the plural" of a given word, but in such a way that he may be able to recognize that a phrase is plural, and that he may be able to reason back from the plural to the singular form. In this particular case, and in a few other cases, I have included, in parentheses, paragraphs of explanatory material which coincide more or less with the traditional formulas, but these paragraphs are included merely for the temporary satisfaction of the curious student, and a general statement should be made by the instructor to the effect that such paragraphs will not be treated as a basis for recitation.

In the foregoing discussion I have grouped together the understanding of the language as written and the understanding of the language as spoken. The exercises should be so used as to afford training in both respects. After they have been done in class with the books open, they should be done again, wholly or in part, with the books closed, the instructor pronouncing the words, phrases, or sentences, and the students identifying or translating, as the case may be.

The theory upon which this book is based calls for the early and extensive use of a Reader. I recommend that the use of a Reader in the classroom begin with the recitation of Lesson VI, and that the assignment of lessons in the Reader begin with the assignment of Lesson XII.

Mastery of Italian implies not only the development of an acquaintance with the language as written and spoken—an end toward which this book, I hope, may yield true guidance—but also the development of a knowledge of Italian grammar as an organized body of linguistic phenomena, and the development of the ability to speak and to write Italian. For the achievement of these three latter purposes the student must go on from this First Book to the study of a regular Italian grammar, systematic in its marshaling of fact, and equipped with material for practice in speaking and in writing Italian. May many follow such a path! And may they follow it to its end among the rich and varied values and delights

Del bel paese là dove il si suona!

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#### LESSON I

1. In words which have two or more vowels, one vowel is stressed more than the other or others.

In any Italian word printed in this book, the position of the stress may be determined as follows:

If one of the vowels is specially printed in any way, that vowel is the stressed vowel. Three kinds of special printing occur: printing in italic type; printing in the special type  $\varepsilon$  (called "open e") or in the special type  $\varepsilon$  (called "open e"); and printing with an accent.

# tavola tempo volta farà

If no one of the vowels is specially printed, the stress is on the next-to-last vowel.

#### almeno cantare colore matita

2. The letter a always has a sound like that of a in "father." The mouth is however opened wider for the Italian sound than for the English sound.

### canta cantano carità sta

3. The letter e has in general a sound like that of a in "fate." The sound is however more tense than the English sound; and the corners of the lips are drawn back more than for the English sound. Furthermore, the English sound tends to become a diphthong: "faeete." This tendency does not appear in Italian: the sound is single and clear.

vedere Domenico credè me

When the letter e is printed in the special type  $\varepsilon$ , it has a sound like that of e in "met." The mouth is however opened wider for the Italian sound than for the English sound. This sound occurs only in stressed syllables.

# temendo perdere caffè

4. The letter *i* has in general a sound like that of *ee* in "bee." The sound is however more tense than the English sound; and the corners of the lips are drawn back more than for the English sound. Be careful never to give to an Italian *i* the sound of *i* in the English word "pin."

#### canti intimo finì sì

When i is unstressed and followed by a vowel, it has in general the sound of y in "yes." Be careful, in pronouncing such an i, not to make a separate syllable of it.

#### ieri cantiamo Italia

In certain cases, to be stated in Lessons II and III, i is silent.

5. The letter o has in general a sound like that of o in "go." The sound is however more tense than the English sound; and the lips are more rounded than for the English sound. Furthermore, the English sound tends to become a diphthong: "góu." This tendency does not appear in Italian: the sound is single and clear.

#### colpo rotondo compito lo

When the letter o is printed in the special type o, it has a sound like that of o in "softer." The lips are however more rounded than for the English sound. This sound occurs only in stressed syllables.

### importo povero andò no

6. The letter u has in general a sound like that of oo in "boot." The lips are however more rounded than for the English sound. Be careful never to give to an Italian u the sound of u in the English word "cure." If you have studied French, be careful never to give to an Italian u the sound of the French u.

#### salute nuvola lassù tu

When u is unstressed and followed by a vowel, it has the sound of w in "woe."

# uovo Guido può questo

7. Vowels in unstressed syllables are pronounced just as clearly as those in stressed syllables.

# aritmetica Filippino contentissimo

8. When two vowels stand side by side, each has its own full sound; except in the cases, already referred to, in which i has the sound of y, or is silent, and u has the sound of w.

	noi	andai	lui	laude
9.	can	tare	to si	ng
	com	prare	to bu	ıy
	enti	rare	to en	te <b>r</b>
	parl	lare	to sp	eak
	tira	re	to pi	ıll

In the majority of Italian verbs the infinitive ends in -are. Such verbs are classed as verbs of the first conjugation.

# 10. cantando singing cantato sung

In verbs of the first conjugation the present participle ends in -ando, and the past participle in -ato.

All verbs of the first conjugation (except four, which will be specially studied in later lessons) have in every form the same ending as the corresponding form of cantare.

#### EXERCISE I

1. Look through this list of words, and point out the stressed vowel in each word: acuto aimè andò anima apostolo bambino haule bruno colui cambiare compatire convenuto costi Dante datemene cui cuore deputato distro dom*e*nica diminuirono dovere due mentare equo estemporaneo erae estremità fedeltà fiato fiero farai fosco fuoco gloria grave guardano guidare gusto idioma impavido idolo *i*mpeto infine interessante invitato io italiano lavoro lei libraio lugubre luogo miεi Milano mio muovere Napoli naturale nè 0 olivo ombra Omero paio Paolo paura pensiero ostacolo opera Pietro più quale quinto rifiuto ripetè

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Roma rompere sacrificò sapere sentì spina sto su suo suoi suono teatro tiepido tramonto tre udirei ultimo università uno vapore verità vestibolo virtù.

- 2. Look through the same list, and point out the cases in which i has the sound of y.
- 3. Look through the same list, and point out the cases in which u has the sound of w.
- 4. Pronounce all words in the list. The consonants may be pronounced as in English. (Minor differences between Italian and English exist in the case of the consonants d, l, n, r, s, and t, but these differences may for practical purposes be disregarded, in this and later exercises, until the lessons are reached in which exact statements regarding these consonants are given.)
- 5. State whether these forms are infinitive, present participle, or past participle: comprando tirato parlare entrato cantando tirare comprato parlando entrare cantato.
  - 6. Translate the same forms.

#### LESSON II

11. The letter c has in general the sound of c in "can."

canto dico cura crede

When c is followed by e or i, it has in general the sound of ch in "church."

cento dolce cinto taci

When c is followed by an unstressed i which is itself followed by a vowel, the c has the sound of ch, in accordance with the preceding rule, and the i is silent.

mancia cielo ciò ciuco

When the combination sc is followed by e or i, the combination sc has the sound of sh in "she."

scendo lascerà lasci scindo

When the combination sc is followed by an unstressed i which is itself followed by a vowel, the sc has the sound of sh, and the i is silent.

# ambascia scià fascio sciupare

12. The present indicative of cantare is as follows

canto	first person singular	I sing
canti	second person singular	you sing
canta	third person singular	he sings
cantiamo	first person plural	we sing
cantate	second person plural	you sing
c <u>a</u> ntano	third person plural	they sing

Note that the stress rests on the stem in the three singular forms, and in the third plural; and that the third plural form is therefore stressed on the next-to-next-to-last vowel.

13. The endings of the present indicative are -o, -i, -a, -iamo, -ate, -ano. These endings serve to indicate whether the form is singular or plural, and whether it is first, second, or third person. The endings of other tenses afford in most cases a similar means of

definition. The use of personal subject pronouns is therefore seldom necessary for clearness; and as a matter of fact, the subject pronouns are in general expressed only when emphasis is desired. It is therefore all the more important for the student to note carefully the ending of each verb form, and to make from that ending the proper inference as to the person and number of the verb.

# 14. canto I sing, I am singing

The verb forms of the present indicative correspond not only to the forms of the English simple present, "I sing," "I look," etc., but also to the forms of the English progressive present, "I am singing," "I am looking," etc.

15. canta he sings, she sings, it sings
Maria canta Mary sings
cantano they sing

Maria e Francesco

. cantano Mary and Francis sing

The third person singular form is used not only when the subject is equivalent to "he," but also when it is equivalent to "she," or "it," or is a singular noun. The third person plural form is used not only when the subject is equivalent to "they," but also when there is a plural noun subject.

16. canti you (singular) sing cantate you (singular) sing cantate you (plural) sing

The second plural form is sometimes used when one person is addressed, and sometimes when two or more persons are addressed. The distinction between the uses of the second singular form and the second plural form when one person is addressed will be explained in a later lesson.

#### EXERCISE II

- 1. Look through this list of words, and point out the cases in which c has the sound of ch in "church": alcuno bilancio amici atroce calce arcano caro cima celare cencio ci ciancia cieco circs. comici crudele classe cupo dieci come fasci felice liscio Lucia Francesco lucido marcia Medici macro mosca nasce oceano pacifico palco pascere pasciuto oscuro pace quercia sciarada scrivere tecscena tenacità toscano.
- 2. Point out, in the same list, the cases in which the combination so has the sound of sh.
  - 3. Point out the cases in which i is silent.
  - 4. Pronounce all words in the list.
- 5. State the person of each of these forms: canta compriamo entrano parli tirate compro tira lano cantiamo entrate canti entriamo parlate compra tiriamo tiro entri parlo cantano comprate parla tiri cantate comentro tirano compri canto parliamo prano entra.

- 6. State the number of each of the same forms.
- 7. State the person and number of each of the same forms.
- 8. Translate the same forms, using the forms of the English simple present.
- 9. Translate the same forms, using the forms of the English progressive present.

#### LESSON III

17. The letter g has in general the sound of g in "go."

# gamba spago gloria grande

When g is followed by e or i, it has the sound of g in "ginger." If you have studied French, be careful not to give this g the sound of the French soft g.

# gente tinge girare pagina

When g is followed by an unstressed i which is itself followed by a vowel, the g has the sound of g in "ginger," and the i is silent.

# già mangia giovane ingiusto

The combination gn has the sound of ni in "union." degno ogni compagnia sognare

The combination gl before i has the sound of lli in "million." If the i is unstressed and followed by a vowel, it is silent.

figli degli paglia migliore

18. The present subjunctive of cantare is as follows:

canti I sing
canti you sing
canti he sings
cantiamo we sing
cantiate you sing
cantino they sing

Note that the three persons of the singular in this tense are identical with each other. This is true of all verbs in the language.

19. prima che¹ cantiate before you sing purchè cantino provided they sing

The subjunctive is used in Italian in many sorts, though by no means all sorts, of subordinate clauses. In many cases subjunctive forms in subordinate clauses may be translated like the corresponding indicative forms. Cases in which other types of translation are requisite will be discussed in later lessons.

20. canti let him sing cantino let them sing

The forms of the third person of the present subjunctive, singular and plural, are often used in main clauses to express an indirect imperative idea. The English phrase in such cases is of the type "let him sing,"—the "let" having the force of command.

 $<sup>^{1}</sup>$  ch is pronounced like k.

21.	libro	masculine	book
	poeta	masculine	poet
	stato	masculi <b>ne</b>	state
	onore	mascul <b>ine</b>	honor
	tavola	fem <b>i</b> nine	table
	arte	femini <b>n</b> e	art

Nouns are of one or the other of two genders, masculine and feminine. The distinction does not in general correspond to any modern sense of difference in meaning. The gender of nouns is, however, to be carefully observed; for articles, adjectives, and pronouns change in form in general according as the nouns they modify or refer to are masculine or feminine; and it thus becomes possible, in examining a sentence or series of sentences, to see, by noting agreements in gender, that certain words are related in thought.

The gender of a noun cannot in general be told by inspection. All nouns in o, however, are masculine, except mano, "hand," which is feminine.

22.	il libro	the book
	il poeta	the poet
	lo stato	the state
	l'onore	the honor
	la tavola	the table
	l'arte	the art

The words il, lo, l', and la before a noun or adjective are forms of the definite article, and mean in general "the." The forms il and lo serve to show that the noun modified is masculine. The form la serves to show that the noun modified is feminine. The form l' gives no information as to gender.

(The principles governing the choice of the several forms of the article before a singular noun are these: il is the general form before a masculine word; lo is used before a masculine word beginning with s impure—that is, s is followed by another consonant—or with z; l' is used before a singular word, masculine or feminine, beginning with a vowel; la is used before a feminine word beginning with a consonant.)

#### EXERCISE III

- 1. Look through this list of words, and point out the cases in which g has the sound of g in "ginger": agitato argine bersagliere bolgia Bologna angelo ciglio Castiglione cogliere cognato dagli energico egoista fam*i*glia figlio dialogo figura gengiva gentile giacere giglio giorno gita giù gli globo gnomo Giorgio gorgogliare guancia guardate guida ingegnere Luigi meglio m*o*glie pagare Parigi mangeremo pigliate pigro pugno quegli rugiada signore strage stringendo tragico uguale vigna.
- 2. Point out, in the same list, the cases in which i is silent.
  - 3. Pronounce all words in the list.

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- 4. State the person and the number of each of the subjunctive forms in these phrases (for the forms ending in -i three identifications are possible): prima che entriate prima che compri prima che parliamo prima che tirino prima che canti purchè tiriamo purchè comprino purchè cantiate purchè parli purchè entrino.
  - 5. Translate the same phrases.
- 6. Translate these forms, supposing them to be third person subjunctive forms used in main clauses: cantil comprisentrino parlia tiri cantino comprino entrino parlino tirino.
- 7. State whether the following combinations are masculine or feminine: il balcone la banda il bastone la cagione la carità il colpo la fronte la guardia l'impero la mano il mento il podestà lo sciopero il sistema la spada lo stupore l'uomo la virtù.

#### LESSON IV

23. The letter h is always silent. It appears, as a matter of custom, in a few short words.

#### ds ids ad cd

It appears in many words between c and e or i; and in this case serves to show that the c has the sound of c in "can."

che oche chi chiamo

It appears similarly in many words between g and e or i, and in this case serves to show that the g has the sound of g in "go."

ghermire pagherò paghi ghinsa

24. The imperative of cantare is as follows:

	canta	second per	sing	
	cantiamo	first person	let us sing	
	cantate	second per	sing	
25.	libro onore poeta sofà dito uomo tavola arte mano	book honor poet sofa finger man table art hand	libri onori poeti sofà dita uomini tavole arti mani	books honors poets sofas fingers men tables arts hands

The number of a noun cannot in general be told by inspection. All nouns in o, however, are singular; and all nouns in i (except a very few uncommon ones) are plural.

The plural ending i (unstressed) gives no information regarding either the singular form or the gender of the noun.

The plural ending e (unstressed) serves to show that the singular ends in a, and that the noun is feminine.

The plural ending a (unstressed) serves to show that the singular ends in o. There are only a few words of this type, which is peculiar in that the singular forms are masculine, and the plural forms feminine.

A stressed vowel as plural ending serves to show that the singular form has the same ending, but gives no information as to gender.

(The principles governing the formation of the plural are these: most nouns form the plural by changing the last vowel of the singular to *i*; feminine nouns ending in unstressed *a* change *a* to *e*; nouns ending in a stressed vowel are invariable. A few masculine nouns ending in *o* have a feminine plural in *a*. Uomo, and three or four other nouns, are irregular in the formation of the plural.)

26.	il libro	the book	i libri	the books
	lo stato	the state	gli stati	the states
	l'onore	the honor	gli onori	the honors
	l'inverno	the winter	gli inverni	
			or	
			gl'inverni	the winters
	la tavola	the table	le tavole	the tables
	l'arte	the art	le arti	the arts
	l'estate	the summer	le estati	
			~~	

or l'estati the summers

The words i, gli, gl', le, and l' before a noun or adjective are forms of the definite article. All of them except l' serve to show that the noun modified is plural. The forms i, gli, and gl' serve also to show that the noun is masculine. The form le serves to show that the noun is feminine. The form l' gives no information as to gender or number.

(The principles governing their choice are these: i is the general form before a masculine word; gli is used before a masculine word beginning with s impure, with z, or with a vowel; gli is sometimes shortened to gl' before a word beginning with i, and rarely before a word beginning with another vowel; le is used before a feminine word; le is sometimes shortened to l' before a word beginning with e, and rarely before a word beginning with another vowel.)

#### EXERCISE IV

- ah 1. Pronounce: ehi hai barche baschi cercherà chiamata cheto chino chiudere matchera Domenichino mischia dichiaro hiavo palchi perchè qualche orchestra brighe castighi fughe rmisco Alighieri ghiaia ghigna Ghirlandaio impieghi laghi leghe luoghi negherà paghiamo pieghe preghiera.
- 2. State the person and number of these imperative forms: comprate entriamo canta parliamo tirate entra parlate tira compriamo cantate compra entrate cantiamo parla tiriamo.
  - 3. Translate the same forms.

- 4. Find the singular forms which correspond to these plural forms, using the vocabulary (pp. 151-60) when necessary: alberi artisti carte estati giornali idee inverni madri monti mura podestà sistemi tavole tribù università uvva.
- 5. State the gender and number of each of these phrases: gli artisti i balconi la bontà i cani le carità il colera i cugini le fronti la gente il golfo le indici gl'ingegni le mani le ombre gli orli le pareti il pesce i podestà le porte i problemi la riva gli scandali le spade lo spavento il treno le uvva l'uscio.

#### LESSON V

27. The letter j has always the same value that the Italian letter i would have in the same position. It is now passing out of use (except in certain proper names), its place being taken by i.

studj = studi ajuto = aiuto

28. When the letter n stands before a c which has the sound of c in "can," a g which has the sound of g in "go," or a g, it has the sound of ng in "bang."

banca incontra giungo dovunque

29. The letter s has in general the sound of s in "sister." It is however hissed somewhat more sharply than the English s.

sala spada casa basta

When the letter s is printed in italic type, it has the sound of s in "rose." This sound occurs before certain consonants, and in many, but not all, words, in which s stands between vowels.

sbaglio sdegno caso esame

30. The letter z has in general the sound of ts in "gets."

senza azione zampa zio

When the letter z is printed in italic type, it has the sound of dz in "adze."

	pranzo	romanzo	zelo	zona.
31.	INDICATIVE canto	SUBJUN( canti	TIVE	IMPERATIVE
	canti canta	canti canti		canta caudi
	cantiamo	cantiam	0	cantiamo
	cantate cantano	cantiate cantino		cantate Cantino

The three present tenses may now be reviewed as a whole. Note that the three first plural forms end in -iamo and are identical with each other; this is true of all verbs in the language. Note that the second plural forms all end in -te; this is true of all verbs in the language.

Note that, taking the present tenses as a whole, the stress rests on the stem in the singular forms and in the third plural forms. This is true of all verbs in the language (except a very few irregular verbs, which will be specially studied in later lessons.)

32. pensare to think penso I think portare to carry porto I carry

Some verbs in which the vowel which receives the stress when the stem is stressed is e or o give that e or o the open sound when stressed.

33. abitare to live abito I live

In some verbs the vowel which receives the stress when the stem is stressed is a vowel preceding the last vowel of the stem.

34. canti you (singular) sing
cantate you (singular) sing
canta you (singular) sing
cantate you (singular) sing
cantate you (plural) sing
cantano you (plural) sing

Verb forms of the third person are used not only in the cases hitherto stated (see Section 15), but also, in certain cases, when the subject is equivalent to "you."

There are then three ways of addressing one person: in the second singular, in the second plural, and in the third singular. This last form is now the normal form of direct address in northern and central Italy. The second plural form, occasional in northern and central Italy, is the normal form in southern Italy. The use of the second singular usually implies

intimacy, or the attitude of an adult to a child. A shift from the use of one of the more formal types to the second singular type indicates a dropping of formality for intimacy, or, in some instances, for disrespect.

The use of the second plural in speaking to two or more persons corresponds both to the use of the second singular and to the use of the second plural in addressing one person. The use of the third plural in speaking to two or more persons corresponds to the use of the third singular in addressing one person.

The origin of the third person form of direct address will be explained in a later lesson.

35. canti sing cantino sing

The forms of the third person of the present subjunctive are often used in main clauses to express a direct imperative idea. This use corresponds to the use of the third person in direct address discussed in the preceding section.

36. un libro a book
un esame an examination
uno stato a state
una casa a house
un' idea an idea

The words un, uno, una, and un' are usually forms of the indefinite article meaning "a" or "an." The forms un and uno serve to indicate that the noun

modified is masculine. The forms una and un' serve to indicate that the noun modified is feminine.

(The principles governing the choice of the several forms are these: un is the general form before a masculine word; uno is used before a masculine word beginning with s impure or with z; una is used before a feminine word beginning with a consonant; un' is used before a feminine word beginning with a vowel.)

#### EXERCISE V

- 1. Pronounce: Jacopo jersera Rajna angolo cinque delinquo dipinga dunque inmancare stanchi comodo lunghi base così Pisa pasqua plasmare presente resistere sfids. sguardo slanciare smentire rass. anzi bronzo calza dazio svelto grazie risoluzione ronzio zanzara zeta zinpartenza zodiaco zolfo zufolare. garo
- 2. State the mood, person, and number of each of the following forms (for those ending in -i, four identifications are possible; for those ending in -a, two identifications: for those in -iamo, three; and for those in -ate, two): cantano comprate entra parliamo tiro portiate comprino entriamo abita abitano pensate parli canta porto tirano cantino entri compro pensiamo abitiamo tira parlate pensa compri cantiate portano portino parlo tiriamo entrano.

- 3. Translate the same forms, using "he" as subject for the third singular forms, and "they" as subject for the third plural forms.
- 4. Translate these forms, using "he" as subject: abita canta compra entra parla pensa porta tira.
  - 5. Translate the same forms, using "she" as subject.
  - 6. Translate the same forms, using "you" as subject.
- 7. Translate these forms, using "they" as subject: abitano cantano comprano entrano parlano pensano portano tirano.
  - 8. Translate the same forms, using "you" as subject.
- 9. Translate each of these subjunctive forms as an indirect imperative with "him": canti compri entri parli pensi porti tiri.
- 10. Translate each of the same forms as an indirect imperative with "her."
- 11. Translate each of the same forms as an imperative used in direct address.
- 12. Translate each of these forms as an indirect imperative with "them": cantino comprino entrino parlino pensino portino tirino.
- 13. Translate each of the same forms as an imperative used in direct address.
- 14. State the gender of each of these phrases: uno sguardo un'azione un istante una lira un mese un'anima uno spirito un ovile una luce.

#### LESSON VI

37. Double consonants in general have the same sound as single consonants, but should be held in pronunciation twice as long as single consonants.

atto bello mappa panno

The combination cq is pronounced like cc.

acqua nacqui piacque tacquero

The combination cc before e or i has the sound of ch in "church" prolonged.

eccetera accidente cacciare riccio

The combination gg before e or i has the sound of g in "ginger" prolonged.

1egge viaggi maggiore biancheggiare.

The combination zz, however, does not differ in length from the single z.

ragazzo pazzo mezzo dozzina

ragazzo pazzo mezzo dozzina

38. The past descriptive of cantare is as follows:

cantavo

cantava I was singing
cantavi you were singing
cantava he was singing
cantavamo we were singing
cantavate you were singing
cantavano they were singing

Note that the ending begins in each case with the letters av.

In certain cases the past descriptive corresponds to the English simple past of the type "I sang," and in certain cases it corresponds to the English past phrase of the type "I used to sing"; but whenever the past descriptive tense is used the idea is descriptive.

<b>3</b> 9.	di	of
	del libro	of the book
	dei libri	
	or	
	de libri	of the books
	dello stato	degli stati
	dell'onore	degli onori
`	dell'inverno	d <del>ogli inv</del> erni
		or
		degl'inværni
	della casa	delle case
	dell'arte	delle arti
	dell'estate	della estati
		or
		dell'estati

The words del, dello, dell', della, dei, de', degli, and delle are combinations of the preposition di with the definite article. The forms del and dello serve to show that the noun modified is masculine singular; della shows that the noun is feminine singular; dei, de', and degli, that the noun is masculine plural; and delle that the noun is feminine plural. The form dell' gives no indication as to gender or number.

40. ha del pane he has some bread has he any paper?

hanno dei libri they have some books hanno delle idee? have they any ideas?

The forms del, dei, etc., are often used with a force equivalent to that of an unemphatic "some" or "any."

41. niente nothing
non è niente it is nothing
mai never
non sono mai qui they are never here

When the word non appears before a verb, and a word which is itself negative appears after the verb, the two negatives convey only a single negative idea.

#### EXERCISE VI

- 1. Pronounce the following pairs of words, bringing out the difference between the single and the double consoebbro nants: ebro baco Bacco cadde cade fugo fuggo pala palla tufo tuffo **ema** Fano fanno tropo troppo emma. caro dita ditta beve CARA cassa bevve Carro face facce agio aggio.
- 2. Pronounce: accendere accorgersi Adda aggradare arri affetto avvertire anno avrebbe haffi hevvi cantammo ollavan ollsh città classe correva debbo Deledda.

donna dramma drappo eccitato enii essendo evviva figge fossi freddo fug gabbare giacchetta Giovanni Giuseppe l lettera nebbia oggi ovvio percossa pia piccolo pioppo racconto reggere scap seggono sommo sorridere spalle taccio ti tutti uccello ufficiale vennero battez prezzo rozzo svizzero.

- 3. State the person and number of each of these for those ending in -a two identifications are possi portavano entravi tiravamo abitava par pensavate tirava abitavamo portavo pe vano parlavi compravate entravo parlava abitavi compravamo portavate pensava.
  - 4. Translate the same forms.
- / 5. State the gender and number of each of the phrases: degli amici della verità del teor delle lezioni degli ulivi dei pascià del ner delle mani della mosca delle teste delle dei padri dell'odio delle tribù dei compadello spirito della capitale degl'imperi comme del conte dei sistemi degli strument
- 6. Translate: hanno della carta parlavano poeta compravo del pane ha delle idee l'uportava dei libri hanno del pane? parlava dei lidel poeta non hanno pane non hanno nia non canta mai.

#### LESSON VII

42. The Italian consonants d, l, n, and t are pronounced farther forward in the mouth than the corresponding English consonants, the point of the tongue touching the upper front teeth.

dica Ida lì pelo nè bene tu amato diletto luna noto Taddeo

43. The Italian r is rolled, the point of the tongue vibrating just behind the teeth.

pari arte rado padre

44. The past absolute of cantare is as follows:

cantai I sang
cantasti you sang
cantò he sang
cantammo we sang
cantaste you sang
cantarono they sang

45. The past subjunctive of cantare is as follows:

cantassi I sang
cantassi you sang
cantasse he sang
cantassimo we sang
cantaste you sang
cantassero they sang

Note that -ss- appears in all forms of this tense except the second plural. Note that the second plural is identical with the second plural of the past absolute.

<b>- 46.</b>	a	to	con	with
	da	from	in	in
	su	on	per	for

Note carefully the meanings of these prepositions.

47.	al libro	to the book
	dai lib <del>ri</del>	from the books
	sull'onore	on the honor
	cogli onori	with the honors
	nella casa	in the house
(DC)	<del>pe</del> t poeta	for the poet

The words al, ai, a', agli, allo, alla, alle, and all' are combinations of the preposition a and the definite article.

The words dal, dai, da', dagli, dallo, etc., are combinations of da and the definite article.

The words sul, sui, su', sugli, sullo, etc., are combinations of su and the definite article.

The words col, coi, co', cogli, collo, etc., are combinations of con and the definite article.

The words nel, nei, ne', negli, nello, etc., are combinations of in and the definite article.

The words pel, pei, pe', pegli, pello, etc., are combinations of per and the definite article.

(Some of these combinations are obligatory in prose; but in other cases the separate writing of the preposition and the article is occasional or frequent; per lo, for instance, is much more frequent than pello.)

These combinations give indications as to gender and number exactly parallel to the indications given by the composite forms of di and the definite article, studied in Section 39.

#### EXERCISE VII

- 1. Pronounce these words, with special care as to the pronunciation of d, l, n, r, and t: altro badi denaro corto dado del domani donna farne finalmente Gaddi grande in libertà lunedì madre matita mentre nato non pelle penale pittore porta quadro ranno rarità ritardo rotondo salute soltanto studente tarlo tatto teatro testa torre treno verde volta.
- 2. State the person and number of each of these forms: portasti entrarono comprò abitammo pensaste parlai tirò entrammo portai pensarono parlasti compraste entrai abitarono tirasti comprammo pensò portarono comprasti tirai entraste pensammo abitò portaste.
  - 3. Translate the same forms.
- 4. State the person and number of each of these forms (for those ending in -i two identifications are possible): entrassimo pensassero parlassi compraste abitassero tirassi comprassimo abitasse portaste portasse tirassimo pensaste parlassi tirasse comprasse tirassimo pensaste parlassi tirasse

- 5. State the gender and number of each of phrases: dal libro allo stato della carta libri nell'inverno alle idee col, libri casa agli uəmini dall'uomo pel libro sulla mano dita ne' libri cogli stati al poeta pei libri nel libro nelle estati case dagli stati nello stato alla casa negl'inverni dalla mano nei libri lib**ri** nei giornali colle virtù dei re da esami delle rose dai poeti negli stati all'uamo sul libro ai libri col pane. mano
  - 6. Translate the same phrases.

#### LESSON VIII

48. When l, m, n, or r stands just after a strevowel and just before another consonant, its sour prolonged.

golfo piombo Vinci tardi

49. The future of cantare is as follows:

canterò I shall sing
canterai you will sing
cantera he will sing
canteremo we shall sing
canterete you will sing
canteranno they will sing

Note that the ending in each case begins wit

#### 50. The past future of cantare is as follows:

canteresti you would sing
cantereste you would sing
canteremmo we should sing
cantereste you would sing
cantereste they would sing
they would sing

Note that the ending in each case begins with er. Note that in the first singular, the third singular, and the third plural, the stressed e has the open sound. Note that the first person plural differs from the first person plural of the future by having a double m.

51. il libro nuovo the new book i libri nuovi the new books la casa nuova the new house the new houses

il libro verde
i libri verdi
la casa verde
le case verdi
the green books
the green house
the green house

Adjectives ending in o are masculine singular, and show that their noun is masculine singular.

Adjectives ending in a are feminine singular, and show that their noun is feminine singular.

Adjectives ending in *i* are plural, and show that their noun is plural, but they give in themselves no indication as to gender. If, however, the masculine

singular form of the adjective is known to end in o, the adjective plural ending i shows that the noun is masculine.

Adjectives ending in e give in themselves no indication as to gender or number. If, however, the masculine singular form of the adjective is known to end in o, the adjective plural ending e shows that the noun is feminine.

(The principles governing the ending of adjectives are these: an adjective which ends in o when used with a masculine singular noun ends in a when used with a feminine singular noun, in i when used with a masculine plural noun, and in e when used with a feminine plural noun; and an adjective which ends in e when used with a masculine singular noun keeps the same ending when used with a feminine singular noun, and ends in e when used with a plural noun of either gender.)

52. un giorno freddo
un monte alto
una lezione facile
una frase strana
una cosa interessante
due giorni
questo monte
quella lezione
un piccolo ragazzo

una hella città

a cold day
a high mountain
an easy lesson
a strange sentence
an interesting thing
two days
this mountain
that lesson
a small boy
a beautiful city

Most adjectives usually follow their nouns. Numeral and pronominal adjectives and some other common adjectives usually precede. When two unfamiliar words which are presumably noun and adjective stand together, the second will prove, in most cases, to be the adjective. Reversal of normal order in general indicates emphasis, as in una strana cosa, "a strange thing."

#### EXERCISE VIII

- 1. Pronounce: alba Gilda colmo scelto ambra cambia sempre lumpido banda enfasi console unto turba parco termine forte.
- 2. State the person and number of each of these forms:
  parlerai comprerete entrerò abiteranno tirerai
  compreremo penserà porteranno comprerai tirerò
  entrerete abiteremo parlerà porterete penseramo porterò entreremo tirerà parlerò penserete
  tireremo abiterà entreranno porterai.
  - 3. Translate the same forms.
- 4. State the person and number of each of these forms: porterebbero penserebbe abiteremmo tireresti parlerebbero entrerei comprereste parleresti entrereste tirerei compreresti penseremmo abiterebbe portereste penserebbero entreremmo porterei tirerebbe parlerei abitereste tireremmo comprerebbe entrerebbero porteresti.
  - 5. Translate the same forms.

- 6. State the gender and number of each of these phrases: questa lezione negli stati nuovi un libro strano dalla bella città degli alti onori una frase facile della carta verde dalle idee interessanti due città nuove nei nuovi stati questi uomini sul libro verde questo pane nelle città interessanti coi piccoli ragazzi delle idee belle quella bella mano due giorni freddi delle lezioni facili delle idee strane i monti alti dalla casa verde le piccole mani.
  - 7. Translate the same phrases.

#### LESSON IX

53. The entire conjugation of cantare is as follows:

INFINITIVE cantare PRES. PART. cantando cantato

INDICATIVE SUBJUNCTIVE IMPERATIVE

canta

PRESENT canto canti

canti canti

canta canti

cantiamo cantiamo cantiamo cantate

cantano cantino

PAST cantavo, -a

DESCRIPTIVE cantavi

cantava cantavamo cantavate cantavano

PAST cantai cantassi

ABSOLUTE cantasti cantassi cantò cantasse cantammo cantassimo

cantaste cantaste cantarono cantassero

FUTURE canter?

canterai canterà canteremo canterete canteranno

PAST canterei FUTURE canteresti

canterebbe canteremmo cantereste canterebbero If the student can form in his mind a conception or plan of the verb as a whole, he will find that such a conception or plan will be of great help to him in the identification of single forms, and in the learning of the verbs which are hereafter to be studied. Note that the tenses of the verb, as arranged on the preceding page, take the shape of a capital F.

Note that all forms ending in -mo are first person plural forms; that all ending in -te are second person plural forms; that all in which the ending contains -v- are past descriptive; that all in which the ending contains -ss- are past subjunctive; and that all in which the ending begins with -er- are future or past future.

Note that two forms end in  $-\delta$ : the past absolute third singular and the future first singular. If the letter before the  $-\delta$  is any letter other than r, the form is past absolute third singular. If the letter before the  $-\delta$  is r, the form is future first singular (unless the r belongs to the stem of the verb).

54.	cercare (	to try	20005	to new
UZ.	cercare	w wy	pagare	to pay
	cerco	I try	pago	I pay
	cerchi	you try	paghi	you pay
	cerchiamo	we try	paghiamo	we pay
	cercherò	I shall try	pagherò	I shall pay

Verb forms in which the stem ends in ch or gh correspond to infinitives in -care or -gare. The h

is inserted in those forms in which the ending begins with e or i, in order to preserve the hard sound of the c or g.

55. cominciare to begin mangiare to eat comincio I begin m*a*ngio I eat commci you begin mangi you eat cominciamo we begin mangiamo we eat mangerò I shall eat comincerà I shall begin

Verb forms of the first conjugation in which c or g immediately precedes an ending which begins with e or i correspond to infinitives in -ciare or -giare. The i which appears in the infinitive is dropped, in such forms, since it is not needed for the preservation of the soft sound of the c or g.

56. studiare to study
studio I study
studi you study
studiamo we study
studierò I shall study

Verb forms of the first conjugation ending in -i, -iamo, or -iate, preceded by some letter other than c or g, may correspond to infinitives in -iare. The i which appears in the infinitive is dropped, in such cases, in order to avoid bringing the sound y before a similar sound.

<b>57.</b>	un bel giardino	a beautiful garden
	un bello scialle	a beautiful shawl
	un bell' albero	a beautiful tree
	bei giardini	beautiful gardens
	begli scialli	beautiful shawls
	begli alberi	beautiful trees
	quel giardino	that garden
	quegli scialli	those shawls
	quegli alberi	those trees

The adjective forms bel, bell', bei, begli, and quel, quell', quei, quegli are special forms of bello and quello, used before masculine words.

58. più interessante il più interessante	more interesting the more interesting, the most interesting
più freddo	colder
il più freddo	the colder, the coldest
più presto	more quickly
il più presto	the more quickly, the most quickly

The word più corresponds to the English "more" and "most" and to the English comparative and superlative endings "-er" and "-est."

**59.** 

Quella lezione è più interessante di questa

Quella lezione è più interessante che facile

That le
estin

That lesson is more interesting than this one That lesson is more interesting than easy Both di and che are used after comparatives to mean "than." Di is preferred to che in certain types of phrases, and che to di in certain other types, but the usage in this matter is not fixed.

#### EXERCISE IX

- 1. Identify these forms, that is, state the person, number, and tense of each (or, if the form is infinitive, present participle, or past participle, state that fact): abitaste abitavo abiterà abiterabbe abitiamo abità cantai cantato cantavate canterai canteremmo canterà cercammo cercassimo cate cercheranno cercheresti cerchiamo comincomincerete comincinocomprai comprammo comprano comprassero comprerà entrereste comprò entrarono entrato entriate entro entrò mangerebbe mangeremo mangi mangia mangiai mangiava pagare pagaste pagherò pagheremmo paghi pagò parlasse parlerà parliamo parlavamo parlerai parlà pensasti pensavano pensai pensando penserebbero pensi portai portando portassi porstudianostudiarono porti porto terai studieresti studiamo tira tirai studiate studi tiravano tirerà tirerai tirà.
  - 2. Translate the same forms.
- 3. Translate: dei bei libri quell'albero alto dai bei monti quegli esami facili un bel giorno nel

bello specchio dei begli alberi quei libri nuovi dei giardini belli quel poeta strano quello strano poeta su quel bell'albero per quegli uomini.

#### LESSON X

60.	temere	to fear
	godere	to enjoy
	avere	to have
	cadere	to fall
	tenere	to hold
	vedere	to see

Verbs in which the infinitive ends in -ere, the first e of the ending being stressed, are classed as verbs of the second conjugation.

Temere and godere are the only two verbs of this conjugation which are completely regular.

The irregular verbs which belong to this conjugation will be studied in detail in later lessons. Meanwhile, certain regular forms of these irregular verbs will be introduced in examples and exercises.

#### 61. The entire conjugation of temere is as follows:

INFINITIVE temere PRES. PART. temendo PAST PART. temuto

INDICATIVE SUBJUNCTIVE IMPERATIVE

PRESENT temo tema

temi tema temi

teme tema

temiamo temiamo temiamo temete temiate temete

temono temano

PAST temevo, -a
DESCRIPTIVE temevi

temeva

temevamo temevate temevano

PAST temei temessi

ABSOLUTE temesti temessi temè temesse

tememino temessimo temeste temeste temerono temessero

FUTURE temerà

temerai temerai temera

PAST temeral FUTURE etc.

The second conjugation, as a whole, differs from the first conjugation in that its characteristic vowel is e instead of a. Note that the following endings of the second conjugation are exactly like the corresponding endings of the first conjugation, except in the substitution of e for a: those of the infinitive; present participle; present indicative third singular and second plural; imperative second plural; all of the past descriptive; all of the past absolute except the third singular; and all of the past subjunctive.

Note that the following endings are identical with those of the first conjugation: those of the present indicative first singular, second singular, and first plural; present subjunctive first and second plural; imperative first plural; all of the future; and all of the past future.

The endings which are really unlike and not parallel to those of the first conjugation are then those of the past participle; present indicative third plural; present subjunctive singular and third plural; imperative second singular; and past absolute third singular. Study these endings with special care.

Note that, as in the first conjugation, the stress rests on the stem in the singular and third plural forms of the present tenses.

Note that, as in the first conjugation, all forms ending in -mo are first person plural forms; that all ending in -te are second person plural forms; that all in

which the ending contains -v- are past descriptive; that all in which the ending contains -ss- are past subjunctive; and that all (except the infinitive and the past absolute third plural) in which the ending begins with -er- are future or past future.

### 62. qualche libro some book or some books

A combination of the adjective qualche with a singular noun may be either singular or plural in idea. In the latter case it is equivalent to the combination of dei and a plural noun: qualche libro = dei libri.

## 63. mi vede he sees me mi parla he speaks to me

The word mi is a conjunctive object pronoun, located in general just before the verb. Sometimes it is a direct object, meaning in general "me"; sometimes it is an indirect object, meaning in general "to me" or "for me." It is pronounced without the slightest stress, and without the slightest pause between itself and the verb. Indeed, it forms in reality one word with the verb, just as truly as if the combination were written mivede or miparla instead of being written with an intervening space.

64. mi vedo I see myself
mi compro I am buying myself a
un libro book, I am buying a
book for myself

If the verb with which mi is associated is of the first person, mi becomes reflexive, and means "myself" or "to myself" or "for myself."

65. vedermi to see me
vedendomi seeing me
vedutomi having seen me
vedetemi see me

The word mi sometimes appears at the end of a verb form instead of just before it. This location is regular in some cases (i.e., when the verb is infinitive, present participle, past participle used absolutely, or positive imperative) and occurs occasionally in other cases.

When mi is thus placed after the infinitive, the infinitive drops its final e.

The mi thus placed is as completely unemphatic as when standing before the verb. The stress in the combination of the verb with mi rests upon the same vowel in the verb that would bear the stress if the mi were not there: vedendo, vedendomi; vedete, vedetemi.

The location of the mi before one of the forms that might in itself be either present indicative or imperative shows that that form is indicative; its location after such a form shows that that form is imperative.

#### EXERCISE X

1. Identify these forms, and state in each case the infinitive form of the verb in question: avenumo cadessi zodei temano tenendo veda avendo cade

- godere teme tenessero vedano avesse cada godera teme teneste vede avessimo cadeste goderabbe temeranno tenete vedeste avesti cadevano goderamo temereste tenevamo vedi aveva cadi godereste temerono tenevo vedo avuto cadiamo godiate temi tenevo vedono.
  - 2. Translate the same forms.
- 3. Translate these phrases, regarding the combinations with qualche as singular in idea: comprerò qualche libro entrò in qualche casa ha qualche idea porta qualche cosa cercava qualche carta qualche ragazzo cantava.
- 4. Translate the same phrases, regarding the combinations as plural in idea.
- 5. Pronounce these phrases, with particular care not to give the slightest stress to the mi, and not to make any pause between the mi and the verb: vedendomi mi mi vede mi vedete mi vedono mi veda vedetemi mi vedeva mi vedano vedimi vedeste temendomi mitemi miteme mitemete mi tema mi temano mi temè mi temono mi temerai mi temera temerono mi temereste mi temerebbero portandomi mi porta mi pormi portano mi porti portami portatemi mi portava mi portò mi portera mi porterebbe parlandomi mi parla mi parlate mi parlano mi parli mi parlino parlami parlatemi parlavano mi parlarono mi parleranno mi par-

lerebbero mi tiro mi tiravo mi tirai mi tirerò mi tirerei mi compro un libro mi compravo un libro.

6. Translate the same phrases.

#### LESSON XI

66. The conjugation of avere, "to have," is as follows:

avere INFINITIVE PRES. PART. avendo PAST PART. avuto

> INDICATIVE SUBJUNCTIVE IMPERATIVE

> > abbi

PRESENT

ho abbia hai *a*bbia

hя *a*bbia

abbiamo abbiamo abbiamo abbiate abbiate avete

avessi

etc.

abbiano hanno

avevo PAST

DESCRIPTIVE etc.

ebbi PAST

avesti ABSOLUTE **ebbe** 

avemmo aveste **ebbero** 

FUTURE

ćrva avrai avrà etc.

avrei PAST FUTURE etc.

A special set of short forms appears in the singular and in the third plural of the present indicative. Forms parallel to these four occur in certain other irregular verbs, as will appear in later lessons. The imperative forms are borrowed from the subjunctive, with an alteration in the ending of the second singular.

Note carefully the irregularity of the past absolute. This irregularity affects three forms only: the first and third singular and the third plural. These forms have in common an irregular stem, which is stressed; and they have respectively the endings -i, -e, -ero. The three other forms have the regular stem and the regular endings. These statements are true for all irregular past absolutes in the language (except three, which will be studied in later lessons).

Note that the future and past future are irregular only in that the initial e of the ending is omitted. This is the commonest type of future irregularity.

67. Aveva due esemplari He had two copies sbbe due esemplari He got two copies

The past absolute of avere has the special sense of "came to have," "got."

68. Parlerà il poeta The poet will speak
Poi entrarono i ragazzi Then the boys came in

The subject often stands after the verb, even in declarative sentences. In the search for the subject of a sentence one must therefore survey the words which

follow the verb as well as those which precede it, looking for a word which agrees with the verb in form and may in common sense be the subject.

69. ti vedo I see you
ti parlo I speak to you
ti vedi you see yourself
ved endoti seeing you

The word ti is a conjunctive object pronoun of the second person singular. It is like mi in respect to pronunciation and usage.

70. lo vedo I see him, I see it vederlo to see him, to see it

The word lo, when it stands directly before a verb or is appended to a verb, is a conjunctive object pronoun, meaning in general "him," or "it" referring to a masculine noun or to a general idea. It is used only as direct object, and is not used as reflexive.

71. gli parlo I speak to him parlategli speak to him

The word gli, when it stands directly before a verb or is appended to a verb, is a conjunctive object pronoun, meaning in general "to him" or "for him." It is used only as indirect object, and is not used as reflexive.

72. la vedo I see her, I see it, I see you vederla to see her, to see it, to see you

The word la, when it stands directly before a verb or is appended to a verb, is a conjunctive object pronoun, meaning in general "her," "it" referring to a feminine noun, or "you" in the formal type of direct address.

The word la and certain other third person feminine pronouns are used in direct address even when the person addressed is a man. The reason for this peculiar usage will be explained in a later lesson.

## 73. le parlo I speak to her, I speak to you parlandole speaking to her, speaking to you

The word le, when it stands directly before a verb or is appended to a verb, is a conjunctive object pronoun. It is (except in one case, which will be stated in a later lesson) an indirect object, meaning in general "to her" or "for her," or "to you" or "for you" in the formal type of direct address.

# 74. Quel signore La cercava That gentleman was looking for you Quel signore Le parlava That gentleman was speaking to you

When the third person feminine pronouns are used in direct address they are sometimes, but not always, capitalized. When therefore a third person feminine pronoun is capitalized the reader may be certain (unless the pronoun is the first word in a sentence) that it is used in direct address.

#### EXERCISE XI

- 1. Identify: ho avro hai avrai ha avra hanno avranno ebbe avrebbe ebbero avrebbero abbiamo avendo avremmo aveste abbia abbiano avevano avesti avrete avessimo avrei abbiate avremo avreste.
  - 2. Translate the same forms.
- 3. Pronounce these phrases, with special care not to give the slightest stress to the pronoun, and not to make any pause between the pronoun and the verb: lo temevano lo vedemmo lo portarono lo mangiai tenetelo tiriamolo lo compri lo cominciano lo canterà parlandogli gli parlano gli parli parliamogli gli parlo gli parlerò gli canta cantategli.
  - 4. Translate the same phrases.
- 5. Translate these phrases, regarding the la as meaning "her": la temono la temei tenendola la tenevano la portarono la porteremo.
- 6. Translate the same phrases, regarding the la as meaning "it."
- 7. Translate the same phrases, regarding the la as meaning "you."
- 8. Translate these phrases, regarding the le as meaning "to her": parlarle le parla le parlerebbe le cantava le cantai le canterà.
- 9. Translate the same phrases, regarding the 1e as meaning "to you."

- 10. Translate: gli parleremo la veda mi portarono le parli mangiatelo ti vedono la tenevamo gli canto parlandole mi teme lo cominciai la vedo gli parlai le cantavo parlarmi ti vediamo lo comprino portiamola gli parlavate le parlerete mi veda vedendolo.
- 11. Translate these sentences, using the mocabulary as much as may be necessary: 1. Questo quadro è molto più bello dell' altro. Se lo vede, lo comprerà.

  2. Le portai il libro, e mi parlò delle strane idee dell'autore. 3. A Napoli La vedevo spesso, ma qui a Roma non La vedo mai. 4. Ieri ebbi due giornali inglesi. Le notizie sono buone. 5. Chi parla? Parla adesso il sindaco, poi parlerà il senatore.

#### LESSON XII

<b>75.</b>	avere veduto	to have seen
	avendo veduto	having seen
	ho veduto	I have seen
	avrò veduto	I shall have seen
	avrei veduto	I should have seen

Verbal phrases consisting of a form of avere and a past participle are used in Italian just as verbal phrases consisting of a form of "to have" and a past participle are used in English. They may be translated word for word.

The compound tenses thus formed are called perfect tenses. The compound tense formed with the present of avere is called the present perfect; that formed with the past descriptive is called the past perfect; that formed with the past absolute is called the second past perfect; that formed with the future is called the future perfect; and that formed with the past future is called the past future perfect.

#### 76. la casa che ho veduta

or

la casa che ho veduto the house which I have seen

When a verbal phrase consisting of a form of avere and a past participle has a direct object, the past participle often changes in ending to agree with that object; but it may, in most cases, remain in the masculine singular form. When the ending is changed, it serves to mark the relationship between the object and the past participle.

77. alto high
altissimo very high
interessante interesting
interessantissimo very interesting

bene well

benissimo very well

The ending -issimo is a suffix added to adjectives or adverbs to intensify their force.

78. si vede

he sees himself, she sees herself, you see yourself

si compra un libro

he is buying himself a book, she is buying herself a book, you are buying yourself a book

The word si is a conjunctive object pronoun of the third person, direct or indirect. It is always reflexive, and serves as masculine, as feminine, and in formal direct address.

79. si vede

he is seen, she is seen, it is

seen

la casa si vede

the house is seen

si vedeva

he was seen, she was seen,

it was seen

la casa si vedeva

the house was seen

The combination of si with a verb often serves as a substitute for a passive phrase. The combination may then be translated by the corresponding passive form of the proper English verb: that is, by the form of "to be" which corresponds to the form of the Italian verb, together with the past participle of the proper English verb.

80. si vede

one sees

si vede la casa

one sees the house

si arriva si resta one arrives one stavs

si torna

one returns

The same pronoun si is often used with the value of an unemphatic indefinite subject, like the French on and the German man, or the English "one," "they," "people."

#### EXERCISE XII

- 1. Translate: avrà cantato avevano comprato avreste parlato abbiamo veduto avendo pensato avrò portato hanno cercato aveva tenuto avrebbero avuto hai pagato avremo cominciato avevi goduto avrei mangiato avere temuto avremmo cantato avranno comprato avete parlato avevo veduto avresti pensato avendo portato avevamo cercato avrete tenuto avrebbe avuto ho cominciato.
- 2. Translate these phrases, regarding the si as meaning "himself" (trovare means "to find"): si trova si trovò si troverà si trovi trovarsi trovandosi si tira si tirò si tirerebbe si tiri tirandosi si vede si vedeva si veda vedersi vedendosi si teneva tenersi tenendosi si compra un libro si comprava un libro si comprerò un
- 3. Translate the same phrases, regarding the si as meaning "herself."
- 4. Translate the same phrases, regarding the si as meaning "yourself."

- 5. Translate these phrases, using a passive construction with "he" as subject: si trova si trovava si trovò si troverà si troverebbe si cerca si cercava si cercò si cercherà si cercherebbe si cerchi si vede si vedeva si teneva.
- 6. Translate the same phrases, using a passive construction with "she" as subject.
- 7. Translate these phrases, regarding the si as an unemphatic indefinite subject: si trova si cercherà si vedeva si comincerebbe si pagò si entra si parlerebbe si mangiò si temerà si teneva si tornerebbe si cade si ha si arrivò si resterà.
- 8. Translate: 1. Quando entrammo, avevano già cominciato a parlargli di quell'affare. 2. Se l'avesse cercato bene, l'avrebbe trovato. 3. Entrò nel salotto e si trovò in presenza del conte, che (who) sembrava contentissimo. 4. Si parla molto di questo romanzo. Mi sembra interessantissimo. 5. La cupola si vede lì in fondo, tra gli alberi.

#### LESSON XIII

<b>81.</b>	credere	to believe
	b <i>a</i> tter <b>e</b>	to beat
	perdere	to lose
	ricevere	to receive
	ripetere	to repeat
	<b>v</b> endere	to sell

<sup>1</sup> P before a verb represents lo or la.

Verbs in which the infinitive ends in -ere, the stress resting on the stem, are classed as verbs of the third conjugation.

Verbs of the second conjugation and verbs of the third conjugation differ only in the position of the stress in the infinitive.

<b>82</b> .	credei <i>or cre</i> d <i>e</i> tti	I believed
	credesti	you believed
	credè or credette	he believed
	credemmo	we believed
	credeste .	you believed
	crederono or credettero	they believed

Many, but not all, verbs of the second and third conjugations have an extra set of forms in the past absolute first singular, third singular, and third plural. These extra forms have the endings -etti, -ette, -etter. Note that these endings have the same relation to each other as the endings of the standard set of irregular past absolute endings; see Section 66.

			PLURAL
83.	fuoco	fire	fuochi
	duca	duke	duchi
	occhio	<b>ey</b> e	əcchi
	luogo	place	luoghi
	collega	colleague	colleghi
	biblioteca	library	biblioteche
	bottega	shop	bottegh <b>e</b>
	fresco	$\mathbf{fresh}$	freschi
	fresca	fresh	<i>fresche</i>

Plural noun or adjective forms ending in -chi correspond to singular forms in -co, -ca, or -chio; plural forms in -ghi correspond to singular forms in -go or -ga; plural forms in -che correspond to singular forms in -ca; and plural forms in -ghe correspond to singular forms in -ga. The h serves to preserve the hard sound of the c or g.

84.	laccio amico voce villaggio teologo doge arancia valigia grigio	snare friend voice village theologian doge orange valise gray	PLURAL lacci amici voci villaggi teologi dogi arance valige grigi
	grigio grigia	gray gray	grigi grige

Plural forms in -ci correspond to singular forms in -cio, -co, or -ce; plural forms in -gi correspond to singular forms in -gio, -go, or -ge; plural forms in -ce correspond to singular forms in -cia; and plural forms in -ge correspond to singular forms in -gia.

(In the case of words which end in the singular in -cio, -gio, -cia, or -gia, the i is dropped, in the formation of the plural, because it is not needed, before the plural endings i and e, for the preservation of the soft sound of the c or g. In the case of words which end in the singular in -co or -go, the formation of the plural in -ci or

-gi rather than in -chi or -ghi is really irregular, since the sound of the c or g, hard in the singular, becomes soft in the plural form.)

85.	studio	study	PLURAL stud <u>i</u> , st <i>udi</i> i, studi, <b>studi</b>
	v <i>a</i> rio	various	va <u>ri,</u> v <i>a</i> rii, varî, v <del>arj</del>
	varia	various	varie_

Plural forms in -ii, -i, or -j, correspond to singular forms in -io; and plural forms in -i may correspond to singular forms in -io. The spelling with the single i is now the commonest spelling for such words. The circumflex accent on a final i does not denote stress.

86.	ci vede	he sees us
	ci parla	he speaks to us
	ci vediamo	we see ourselves, we see each other
	vederci	to see us

The word ci serves as a conjunctive object pronoun of the first person plural, direct or indirect, non-reflexive, reflexive, or reciprocal.

87.	ci arrivò	he arrived here or there
	ci resta	he stays here or there
	c'è	there is
	ci sono	there are

The word ci serves also as a conjunctive adverb meaning in general "here" or "there."

88. vi vede he sees you vi parla he speaks to you

vi vedete you see yourself or yourselves,

you see each other

vedutovi having seen you

The word vi serves as a conjunctive object pronoun of the second person, singular or plural in idea, direct or indirect, non-reflexive, reflexive, or reciprocal.

89. vi arrivò he arrived there
vi resta he stays there
vi tornerà he will return there

vi è there is vi sono there are

The word vi serves also as a conjunctive adverb, meaning in general "there." Ci and vi correspond to the French y; and the phrases c'è, ci sono, v'è and vi sono correspond to the French il y a.

#### Exercise XIII

1. Identify these forms, and state in each case the infinitive of the verb in question: 3 crede battendo perdemmo riceveranno ripeterebbero venda ricevete ripetuto perdetti battano credereste ricevevi ripetiamo vendevano credessero perderabbe battuto riceveranno perdo credettero venderemo battete ripetè perdiamo ricevi credeva crederà batterono perderete.

- 2. Translate the same forms.
- S. Find the singular forms corresponding to these noun plural forms, using the vocabulary when necessary: baci barche boschi botteghe cataloghi ciliege croci desideri effigi facce figlio giacche giudici guance leghe medio occhi paesaggi parchi patriarchi piagge pregni spazii.
- 4. Translate these phrases, regarding the ci and vi as pronouns: ci pagherete vi riceveranno parlarci ci ricevette tenendovi cercateci vi canterò ci tenevano vi pagai ci portereste vi parleremo vedendoci vi porterà vi cercava ci parlino.
- 5. Translate these phrases, regarding the ci and vi as meaning "ourselves" and "yourselves": ci trovammo vi tenete ci troveremo tenendovi ci comprammo dei libri ripetetevi le frasi.
- 6. Translate the same phrases, regarding the ci and vi as meaning "each other."
- 7. Translate these phrases, regarding the ci and vi as adverbs: ci arriveremo vi restò ci abita entratevi ci cantano vi cadono entrandoci tornatovi ci vendevano dei libri vi comprerò dei libri.
- 8. Translate: 1. Ci sono delle fabbriche anche più grandi di questa in vari luoghi dell'Italia. 2. Isri perdette quella carta, e non l'ha trovata ancora, benche abbia cercato tutta la mattina. 3. Abitano qui vicino, ma non ci sono amici. 4. Ci si vendeva dei fichi freschi. 5. Lunedì lo ripetevano tutti, ma oggi non c'è nessuno che lo creda.

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## LESSON XIV

90. The conjugation of essere, "to be," is as follows:

INFINITIVE **Essere** PRES. PART. essendo PAST PART. stato

> INDICATIVE SUBJUNCTIVE IMPERATIVE

> > sii

siamo

siate

PRESENT

sia sono sia sei

sia

siamo siamo

siete siate

siano sono

PAST

DESCRIPTIVE Eri

ETA

ero.

eravamo eravate erano

PAST ABSOLUTE

fui fosti fu

fossi fossi fosse

fummo foste

fossimo foste

*fur*ono

fossero

FUTURE

craz sarai

sarà etc.

PAST FUTURE sarei

etc.

91. Essere veduto
essendo veduto
sono veduto
era veduta
saremo veduti

to be seen being seen I am seen she was seen we shall be seen

Verbal phrases consisting of a form of essere and a past participle are used in Italian, just as verbal phrases consisting of a form of "to be" and a past participle are used in English, to express a passive idea. They may be translated word for word.

A past participle used with essere in such a phrase changes in ending to agree with the subject, and may thus afford help in the identification of the subject.

92. li vedo I see them, I see you (plural) vederli to see them, to see you (plural)

The word li is a conjunctive object pronoun, meaning in general "them," or "you" when used in the formal type of direct address. It is used only as direct object, and is not used as reflexive. It refers to a group of persons of whom at least one is a man, to a group of nouns of which at least one is masculine, or to a masculine plural noun. .

93. le vedo I see them, I see you (plural) vederle to see them, to see you (plural)

The word le is a conjunctive object pronoun. It is (except in the case stated in Section 73) a direct object, meaning in general "them," or "you" when used in the formal type of direct address. It is used only

as direct object, and is not used as reflexive. It refers to an all-feminine group of persons or nouns, or to a feminine plural noun.

Note that when le is a direct object it is plural, and means "them" or "you"; and that when it is an indirect object it is singular, and means "to her" or "to you."

94. parlo loro I speak to them, I speak to you (plural)

parlando loro speaking to them, speaking to you (plural)

The word loro serves as a semi-conjunctive indirect object, meaning in general "to them" or "for them," or "to you" or "for you" when used in the formal type of direct address. It refers either to masculine or to feminine antecedents. It stands after and separate from the verb form.

A. Identify: siete fu sarebbe furono sono sarai fosse saremmo sei eri sarò sia erano fosti sarete siano sareste saremo è sarebbero siate fui saresti fossimo sarà siamo stato sarei essendo saranno sii eravamo.

2. Translate the same forms.

3. Translate: sarà portata era mangiato essendo cercato fu cominciato sarete tenuti saremo veduti sono venduti saremmo creduti sareste

temuto siamo perduti furono battuti fummo ricevute sia portato salano mangiati sono recreati è cominciato siano tenuti fu veduto erano venduti sarà creduta sono temuti saremmo perduti sareste battuti sarà ricevuta.

- 4. Translate these phrases, regarding the li as meaning "them": li porterà li cercammo temerli li ricevette li vedono.
- 5. Translate the same phrases, regarding the li as meaning "you."
- 6. Translate these phrases, regarding the le as meaning "them": le porteremo le cerchi le temono le ricevemmo vedendole.
- 7. Translate the same phrases, regarding the le as meaning "you."
- 8. Translate these phrases, regarding the le as meaning "to her" or "them" according as it is indirect or direct object: le vede le parla le trovai le ricevettero le cantava le portò dei libri.
  - 9. Translate the same phrases, regarding the le as meaning "to you" (sing.) or "you" (pl.) according as it is indirect or direct object.
  - 10. Translate these phrases, regarding the loro as meaning "to them": parlammo loro cantavano loro porterò loro dei libri compri loro dei libri ripeteranno loro le frasi.
  - 11. Translate the same phrases, regarding the loro as meaning "to you."

12. Translate: 1. Stamane Le vedemmo mentre entravano nel palazzo dove ci sono quei quadri antichi.
2. Vi fu portato da due uomini fortissimi. 3. Sono certo che (that) se non l'avesse creduto non l'avrebbe ripetuto loro. 4. Si crede che ci abbia comprato qualche libro di molto valore. 5. Temeva che i biglietti fossero perduti; ma per fortuna li trovò un ragazzo che li portò subito alla casa.

#### LESSON XV

<b>95.</b>	sono entrato	I have entered
	ero caduto	I had fallen
	era arrivata	she had arrived
	essendo tornato	having returned
	sono stato	I have been
	siamo stati veduti	we have been seen

Verbal phrases with essere do not always have a passive idea; for with certain verbs essere is used instead of avere in the formation of perfect tenses (see Section 75). The past participle, in this case, agrees with the subject.

The distinction between passive and perfect phrases is not difficult in practice. If in doubt, try translating the form of essere by the proper form of "to be." If it makes sense, the translation is correct, and the phrase is passive. If it does not make sense, the phrase is perfect, not passive, and the form of essere is to be translated by the corresponding form of the verb "to have."

96. si vedono they see themselves or each other, you see yourselves or each other

The word si when used with a third personal plural verb is reflexive or reciprocal, and serves as masculine, as feminine, and in formal direct address.

97. si vedono they are seen si vedono le case the houses are seen

The combination of si with a third plural verb often serves as a substitute for a passive phrase: compare Section 79.

98. ne parlo
ne vedo il tetto
I speak of it or of them
I see its roof
I have some
non ne ho
I haven't any

The word ne is a conjunctive pronoun of the third person. It means in general "of it" or "of them," or "some" or "any." It corresponds to the French en.

99. ne vengo I come from there

The word ne serves as also a conjunctive adverb. It is then an unemphatic equivalent of the phrase di là, and means in general "from there."

100. un tal suono

such a sound

un sol giorno

a single day

fratel caro	=fratello caro dear brother	
andiam subito	=andiamo subito let's go at once	
ben cominciato	=bene cominciato well begun	
son tornato	= sono tornato I have returned	
han dovuto parlare	=hanno dovuto parlare they have had to speak	
il signor Ghedini	=il signore Ghedini Mr. Ghedini	
dopo aver cercato	=dopo avere cercato after having tried	
sarebber caduti	= sarebbero caduti they would have fallen	
un buon ragazzo	a good boy	

Aside from the words con, don, non, il, in, per (and a very few rare words) Italian words do not end, in their true form, in l, m, n, or r. Almost any page of written Italian, however, will show a number of forms ending in l, m, n, or r, other than the words just listed. Such forms are abbreviated. They may in general be completed by the addition of e or o. A few forms ending in l are to be completed by the addition of a, lo, or le; a few ending in n by the addition of n, n, or ne.

Words are thus abbreviated only when closely connected in thought with the following word. In reading, therefore, one must be careful not to pause after an abbreviated word.

(Such abbreviation is in general an optional matter, within certain limits. It has, however, become a fixed usage in certain forms of the articles and of bello and quello, which have already been noted; also in the use of buon for buono before a masculine singular word.)

101. un gran poeta = un grande poeta a great poet

San Francesco = St. Francis

Gran is an abbreviated form of grande (used often and before words of various types, but not as a matter of fixed usage). San is an abbreviated form of Santo (used, as a matter of fixed usage, before masculine names beginning with a consonant other than s impure or z).

#### EXERCISE XV

- 1. Translate: erano caduti eri entrato siete stati sei arrivato sarebbe tornata essendo entrato sara stato eravamo tornati sarei caduto saremo arrivati è stata portata sarebbero stati perduti erano stati cominciati essendo stato pagato sarà stato veduto.
- 2. Translate these phrases, regarding the si as meaning "themselves": si trovano si vedevano trovarsi

vedendosi si compravano dei libri si compreranno dei libri.

- 3. Translate the same phrases, regarding the subject as meaning "they" and the si as meaning "each other."
- 4. Translate the same phrases, regarding the si as meaning "yourselves."
- 5. Translate the same phrases, regarding the subject as meaning "you" and the si as meaning "each other."
- 6. Translate these phrases, using a passive construction with "they" as subject: si trovano si trovarono si cercano si cercheranno si vedono si tenevano.
- 7. Translate: ne comprano ne avevano ne cerchi ne mangera ne parlai ne porterete ne ricevettero vedendone parlatene ne avrebbe.
- 8. Translate: si trovò parliamole lo mangiai vi canterò si cercheranno mi vedo cantategli temerli si arrivò ti vedemmo si compravano dei libri ci ricevette ne avrebbe mi parlavano ci trovammo vi restò si tornerà li porterà la temei si comincia le cerchi gli parlano porterò loro dei libri si trovano ci arriveremo ti vedesti le parla lo porto vedendole ne comprano la riceveremo ci pagherete si trovi ti parleranno parlammo loro si comprava un libro vi parleremo si cercò vedendosi ripetetevi le frasi.
- 9. Find the full form of these words, using the vocabulary when necessary: amor avran buon cadon castel ciel dottor grant lor man man

nessun' nobile or par parlar pensiere por professore quale sante siame val.

10. Translate: 1. Sei stato mai a Venezia? Ancora no, ma spero di andarvi l'anno prossimo. 2. è già arrivato: lo troverà cogli altri nella biblioteca. 3. Si vedevano sui monti dei fuochi di gioia. 4. Mi ha domandato del denaro, ma pur troppo non he ho.

#### LESSON XVI

102.	sentire	to feel
	divertire	· to amuse
	dormire	to sleep
	partire	to depart
	seguire	to follow
	servire	to serve
	vestire	to dress

5. Non tema più: sono stati trovati.

Verbs in which the infinitive ends in -ire are classed as verbs of the fourth conjugation.

sentire.

103. The entire conjugation of sentire is as follows:

PRES. PART. PAST PART.	sentendo sentito		
PRESENT	INDICATIVE sento	SUBJUNCTIVE Senta	IMPERATIVE
	senti sente	senta senta	senti
	sentiamo sentite sentono	sentiamo sentiate sentano	sentiamo sentite
PAST DESCRIPTIVE	sentivo, -a		
PAST ABSOLUTE	sentii sentisti	sentissi etc.	

FUTURE sentirò

sentimmo sentiste sentirono

INFINITIVE

PAST sentirei FUTURE etc.

The fourth conjugation, as a whole, differs from the others in that its characteristic vowel is *i*. Note that the following endings of the fourth conjugation are exactly like the corresponding endings of the other conjugations, except in the fact that the stressed vowel is *i*: those of the infinitive; past participle;

present indicative second plural; imperative second plural; all of the past descriptive; all of the past absolute; and all of the past subjunctive.

Note that the following endings are identical with those of the second conjugation; those of the present participle; and all in the present tenses except the indicative second plural and imperative second plural.

Note that the endings of the future and past future begin with -ir instead of with -er.

Note that, as in the first conjugation, the stress rests on the stem in the singular and third plural forms of the present tenses.

Note that all forms ending in -mo are first person plural forms; that all ending in -te are second person plural forms; that all in which the ending contains -vare past descriptive; that all in which the ending contains -ss- are past subjunctive; and that all (except the infinitive and the past absolute third plural) in which the ending begins with -ir- are future or past future.

104. me lo presenta te la presenta ce li presenta ve le presenta me ne parla te lo presenti

he presents him to me he presents her to you he presents them to us he presents them to you he speaks of it to me you present it to yourself ce lo presentiamo we present it to ourselves or to each other

ve lo presentate

presentandomelo

presentatemelo

ce lo trovai

ve lo trovai

you present it to yourselves or to each other
presenting him to me
present him to me
I found him here
I found him there

The words me, te, ce, and ve, when immediately preceding one of the conjunctives lo, la, li, le, and ne, are themselves special conjunctive forms. Me and te are equivalent respectively to mi and ti as indirect objects; and ce and ve are equivalent in meaning to ci and vi as indirect objects, or to the adverbs ci and vi.

These words are pronounced without the slightest stress, and without the slightest pause between themselves and the following word. Me lo presenta is just as truly a single word as if it were written melopresenta.

Note that in translating combinations such as me lo presenta the English words must be arranged in an order exactly the reverse of the Italian order.

il mio giardino my garden
il tuo giardino your garden
il suo giardino his garden, her garden,
its garden, your garden
il nostro giardino our garden
il loro giardino their garden, your garden

The words mio, tuo, suo, nectro, and vestro are possessives, and loro is in many cases a possessive. The possessives are usually preceded by a form of the definite article, which is of course to be disregarded in translation. Note that suo has four possible meanings.

Mio, tuo, and suo are regular in the formation of the feminine singular and feminine plural forms; the masculine plural forms are however misi, tuoi, and suoi respectively: i misi libri, i tuoi libri, i suoi libri.

Nostro and vostro are entirely regular.

Loro is invariable: il loro giardino, la loro casa, i loro libri, le loro case.

106.

Sono contento del mio

I am content with what I have

I suoi non vogliono che vada

Sta dalla mia

I am content with what I have

His people do not want him to go

He is on my side

The possessives are used in many elliptic idioms such as those given above. The masculine singular used absolutely with the article often denotes the property of the person indicated; and the masculine plural his family, friends, or followers. The third phrase is one of many idiomatic Italian phrases which have a feminine form, although no definite feminine noun is referred to.

### EXERCISE XVI

- 1. Identify these forms, and state in each case the infinitive of the verb in question: sentiranno diverte seguimmo dormirebbero partendo dormano divertii partirèste vestiamo sentivano seguiranno sentirono divertite dòrmiamo vestisse senti seguendo partiamo segui dormi partirete seguiremmo servano vesti. P
  - 2. Translate the same forms.
- 3. Translate: me ne parlerebbe ve la presento te li presentammo ce lo canterebbe portandomele ripetertelo ve ne porteremo me lo ripetei te la presenterò ripetiamocelo me la presenti ce lo ripetemmo ce ne comprano ripetetevelo ce li seguirò ce lo perderà ve ne mangiai ce li teneva me le ha presentate ve li aveva venduti te lo hanno ripetuto ce ne hanno parlato.
- 4. Translate: i nostri ragazzi il suo pane le tue mani il loro libro il mio scialle la sua lezione le nostre idee i loro monti la vostra frase i suoi esami le mie dita la loro idea i tuoi onori le vostre città i miei libri le sue carte i nostri giorni le loro case.

5. Translate: 1. Se non l'avete già sentito, ve lo ripeterà stasera. 2. Quando parti per andare alla stazione i suoi ce lo seguirono. 3. A quel teatro si divertirà molto: gli attori sono bravissimi. 4. Lo comprò un mio amico e me lo portò come regato di Natale. 5. La loro casa è più grande e più ricca della nostra, ma è meno bella. E poi: "casa mia, casa mia, bella o brutta che tu sia, tu mi pari una badia."

### LESSON XVII

107. The present tenses of finire, "to finish," are as follows:

INDICATIVE	Subjun <b>ctive</b>	IMPERATIVE
finisco	finisca	
finisci	finisca	finisci
finisce	finisca	
finiamo	finiamo	finiamo
finite	finiate	finite
fin <i>i</i> scono	fin <i>i</i> scano	

This inflection differs from that of sentire in that -isc- is inserted between the stem and the ending in the singular forms and the third plural forms. Note that the sc has the sound of sk before the endings -o, -ono, -a, and -ano, and the sound of sh before the endings -i and -e.

In all forms other than those of the present tenses finite is like sentire.

Most common regular verbs of the fourth conjugation, aside from those listed in Section 102, are like finire in the inflection of the present tenses. Such, for instance, are the verbs capire, "to understand"; colpire, "to strike"; preferire, "to prefer"; riferire, "to report"; and suggerire, "to suggest."

108. glielo presento

I present him to him,
I present him to her,
I present him to you
parlandogliene
speaking of it to him

The word glie (pronounced without stress) is a special conjunctive indirect object, equivalent in meaning to gli and le as indirect objects. It is used only before lo, la, li, le, and ne, and is generally written as one word with the following pronoun.

thi è?

chi vedete?

di chi è questo

libro?

mi domandò chi

fosse entrato

who is it?

whom do you see?

whose book is this?

lit. of whom is this

book?

he asked me who had

The word chi is chiefly used as a personal interrogative equivalent to "who" or "whom" in a direct or indirect question. The combination di chi serves as an equivalent of the interrogative "whose."

110.

Chi cerca, trova He who seeks, finds

Parlo a chi è disposto ad I speak to those who are ready to act

Chi vuol tornare indictro, If anyone wants to go back,

c'è tempo there's time

The word chi is also used as the equivalent of a combination of a personal pronoun and a relative pronoun, meaning in general "he who," "one who," "those who," "anyone who." In this use it appears in many proverbs. By an extension of this use it comes to be equivalent to the phrase "if anyone."

#### 111.

Non ho che due libri I have only two books
Non restò che un' ora He stayed only an hour
Non rimanevano se non due Only two remained

When non stands before and che after a verb, the combination in many cases means "only." The combination non . . . se non is often used in the same sense.

112. I'ho trovata = la ho trovata
n'ha comprato = ne ha comprato
il libro d'un poeta = il libro di un poeta
quest'onore = questo onore
Sant' Agostino St. Augustine
Sant' Anna St. Anne

An apostrophe at the end of a word indicates that one of the vowels a, e, i, or o has been dropped (except in the case of the word po), which is an abbreviated form of poco, and in a very few other special cases).

(Such elision is frequent, though not requisite, in many short words, when the following word begins with a vowel. It has become a fixed usage in certain forms of the articles and of bello and quello, which have been already noted; also in the word Santo, when immediately preceding a word beginning with a vowel.)

#### EXERCISE XVII

- 1. Identify these forms, and state in each case the infinitive of the verb in question: capiscono colpiate finiste preferirei riferisco suggeriamo capisci colpisca preferendo riferi suggeriscono finiamo capivano colpisci preferiscano riferite suggerisce finissimo capi colpito preferisce riferiste suggeriano finisco capite colpiranno preferiate riferisci suggerisse finisce.
  - 2. Translate the same forms.
- 3. Identify these forms, and state in each case the infinitive of the verb in question: abitaste avemmo batterà cada canta căpisci cercammo crede divertendo dərmi comprand furono godei mangera Derdi portassi pensando preferiece senti

diers suggeriscono temano teniamo vedi ven-

- 4. Translate the same forms.
- 5. Translate these phrases, regarding the glie as meaning "to him" gliene parlero glieli presentammo portandoglielo glielo ripetei gliel'avevano presentata gliele abbiamo portate.
- 6. Translate the same phrases, regarding the glie as meaning "to her."
- 7. Translate the same phrases, regarding the glie as meaning "to you."
- 8. Translate: 1. Gliene ho parlato parecchie volte, ma non ne capisce niente. 2. Non si vede che uno de' villaggi: l'altro è dietro la montagna. 3. Di chi sono quei guanti? Sono di Maria: glieli portai martedì.
- 4. Preferiscono scrivere piuttosto che parlargliene.
- 5. Chi s'aiuta, il ciel l'aiuta.

#### LESSON XVIII

113. The conjugation of andare, "to go," is as illows:

JEINITI VE andare RES. PART. andando andato AST PART.

> INDICATIVE SUBJUNCTIVE IMPERATIVE

vado or vo vada RESENT

vai vada va' or vai

vada V2

andiamo andiamo andiamo andate andate andiate

vanno vadano

andavo, -a AST

ESCRIPTIVE etc.

andai andassi AST

BSOLUTE etc.

andro or andero UTURE

etc.

andrei or anderei AST

etc. UTURE

114.

Il caldo va aumentando The heat is increasing

Andare is often used with a present participle to express an idea of gradual action.

115.

Gli esempi vanno studiati The examples are to be studied with care con cura

Andare is often used with a past participle to express an idea of propriety or regulation.

116. se lo presenta he presents it to himself, she presents it to herself,

you present it to yourself

se lo presentano they present it to themselves or to each other, you present it to yourselves or to each other

The word se when immediately preceding one of the conjunctive object pronouns lo, la, li, le, or ne may be itself a special conjunctive indirect object pronoun equivalent in meaning to si as indirect object.

There is another word se, meaning "if," which is of course very likely to stand immediately before a conjunctive pronoun. Care must therefore be taken to decide, by appeal to common sense, whether a se so located is the pronoun or the word meaning "if."

117. and arsene to go away
me ne vado I go away
te ne vai you go away
se ne va he goes away

When andare is conjugated with ne and one of the reflexive pronouns me, te, se, ce, ve, the combination has the meaning "to go away."

118. vattene go away

When a conjunctive pronoun (other than gli or glie) is appended to a monosyllabic imperative

singular form, the initial consonant of the pronoun is doubled, and the apostrophe is dropped.

the che cosa avete? what is it?

che libro avete? what have you?

che cosa avete? what have you?

cosa avete? what have you?

The word che is used as an interrogative pronoun referring to things or ideas, and as an interrogative adjective. The phrase che cosa, meaning literally "what thing," has come to be used with the value of a simple interrogative pronoun, meaning "what"; so also, from use in this phrase, the single word cosa.

120. che idea! what an idea! che bel libro! what a beautiful book!

The word che is also used in exclamations as an adjective equivalent to the English "what a."

#### EXERCISE XVIII

- 1. Translate: vanno andasti vada va andra vai andarono vo andassero vadano andai va andrai vado sono andato era andata saremo andati sarebbero andate.
- 2. Translate: se ne vada ce ne andammo me ne andavo vattene ve ne andrete se n'andarono te ne vai se n'andranno me ne vado andatevene se ne vadano ce ne andiamo se ne va ce ne andremmo me ne vo.

- 3. Translate these phrases, regarding the se as meaning "to himself": se lo ripetà se li presenterà se lo ripeta presentandosele.
- 4. Translate the same phrases, regarding the se as meaning "to herself."
- 5. Translate the same phrases, regarding the se as meaning "to yourself."
- 6. Translate these phrases, regarding the se as meaning "to themselves": se lo ripetono se li presentano ripetendoselo se le presentavano.
- 7. Translate the same phrases, regarding the subject as meaning "they" and the se as meaning "to each other."
- 8. Translate the same phrases, regarding the se as meaning "to yourselves."
- 9. Translate the same phrases, regarding the subject as meaning "you" and the se as meaning "to each other."
- 10. Translate: 1. Le spese vanno crescendo, e la paga dell' anno passato non ci basta più. 2. Vada a vedere cosa è stato. 3. L'avevano imparato a memoria, e se lo ripetevano sotto voce. 4. Se n'andrà a mezzogiorno, anche se non finisce che la mètà del lavoro. 5. Chi non va non vede e chi non prova non crede.

### LESSON XIX

121. The conjugation of dare, "to give," is as follows:

INFINITIVE dare
PRES. PART. dando
PAST PART. dato

INDICATIVE SUBJUNCTIVE IMPERATIVE

PRESENT do dia

dai dia da' or dai dà dia diamo diamo diate diate danno diano diano

PAST davo, -a DESCRIPTIVE etc.

PAST diedi or detti dessi

ABSOLUTE desti dessi

diade or datte desse
demmo dessimo
deste deste
diadero or dessero

dettero

ruture darà

etc.

PAST darei

The accent in the third singular present indicative da serves to distinguish it from the preposition da. In the past absolute and past subjunctive dare has the endings of the second conjugation.

122. The verb stare, "to stand, to be," is inflected exactly like dare, except that the third singular present indicative bears no accent, and that in the past absolute first singular, third singular, and third plural stare has only the forms stetti, stette, stettero.

# 123. stava per dire or era per dire he was about to say

The combination stare per means "to be about (to do a thing)." The combination essere per is occasionally used with the same meaning.

#### 124.

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SUBJECT		SUBJECT OR DIS-		DIS <b>J</b> UNCTIVE		
		JUNCTIVE OBJECT			OBJECT	
io	Ι			me	me <i>or</i> myself	
tu	you			te	you <i>or</i> yourself	
egli	he	lui	he; him			
		esso	he; him			
ella	she $or$	lei	she $or$ you;			
	you		her <i>or</i> you			
		essa	she; her			
noi we; us;			we; us; ours	urselv <b>es</b>		
		voi	you; yourself; yourselves			
		loro	they or you;			
			them or yo	u	•	
		essi	they; them (masc.)			
		esse	they; them (fem.)			
				sè	himself or her-	
	$\operatorname{self} or \operatorname{itself} or \operatorname{yo}$				f or itself or your-	
			•		lf or themselves	
				70	y <i>ourselves</i>	

Lui non lo crede, ma io ne He doesn't believe it, but I sono certo am sure of it

Guardi me Look at me
Parli a lui Speak to him

Torn' con noi He came back with us

The Italian subject pronouns, when expressed, usually carry at least a slight emphasis. Egli and ella, however, are often used with little or no emphasis.

The disjunctive object pronouns carry emphasis when used as direct objects or with the preposition a. When used with other prepositions, they carry no emphasis.

#### 125.

Il signore che era qui
Il libro che vedete
The book that you see
Mi dia quello che ha
portato
The gentleman who was here
The book that you have
brought

The word che is used as a relative pronoun with reference to persons, things, or ideas. The combination quello che or quel che, literally "that which," is equivalent to the English demonstrative relative "what."

126. Lo vidi che giocava I saw him playing with con quel ragazzo that boy

A relative clause is often used in Italian in cases in which the English idiom calls for a present participle

#### EXERCISE XIX

dette do dessi danno dia daresti deste diedero da dando dettero dai desse.

- 2. Translate: stiamo stettero sta stato stai stesse staremo stia stanno stette sto stessi stetti stava sta starebbe stesti.
- 3. Translate: tu lo credi noi andavamo lo diano a noi parlava di loro rono lei ella cantava lo porterà con sè andrete veda lui lo daranno a voi esse parlavano lo trovi lui partirò lo danno a me lo porterò con me loro li trovarono presenterò te seguirebbe compri lei seguite noi sarà portato da lui lo portino loro essi pagheranno temeva. lo diedi a lui egli dərme teneva me li darò a lei lo porteranno con sè lei tornerà riceverà voi trovò loro lo comprai per lei entrà lo daremo a loro lo daremo loro.
- 4. Translate: 1. Come sta il malato? Sta peggio: sono andati pel medico. 2. Lui li sentiva che parlavano, ma non riuscì a capire niente. 3. è la stessa cosa che mi riferiste voi. 4. Loro n'ebbero prima e poi ne diedero anche a noi. 5. Ho perduta la matita: dammi la tua. Un momento: non ho che questa, e sto per finire la composizione.

#### LESSON XX

127. The conjugation of fare, "to make," is as follows:

fare INFINITIVE PRES. PART. facendo fatto PAST PART.

> INDICATIVE SUBJUNCTIVE IMPERATIVE

faccio or fo PRESENT f*a*ccia

fa' or fai fai faccia.

fя faccia.

> facciamo facciamo facciamo fate facciate fate

fanno facciano

facevo, -a PAST DESCRIPTIVE facevi

> faceva etc.

feci PAST

facessi facesti facessi ABSOLUTE fece facesse

facemmo etc.

faceste fecero

farà FUTURE

etc.

farei PAST etc. FUTURE

Fare is really a verb of the third conjugation. The infinitive fare represents a Latin original facere, the regular stem is fac-, and the regular endings are those of the third conjugation. The present participle, the past descriptive, the past absolute second singular and first and second plural, and the past subjunctive are then regular.

128.

Lo feci venire

Fece portare il denaro alla banca

Fanno costruire delle case per gl'impiegati

I had him come

He had the money carried to the bank

They are having some houses built for the employees

Farò chiudere la porta Sentii chiudere la porta I will have the door closed I heard the door closed

Fare used with an infinitive is often equivalent to the English causative "have." An Italian infinitive in this construction is often to be rendered by an English past participle. A similar construction often occurs with lasciare, sentire, udire, and vedere.

129.

Gli fece portare il denaro
alla banca

Le fece portare il denaro
alla banca

Gli lasciò portare il denaro
alla banca

Gli lasciò portare il denaro
alla banca

Gli sentì leggere la lettera

He had her carry the
money to the bank

He let him carry the
money to the bank

He heard him read the
letter

When one of the verbs fare, lasciare, sentire, udire, or vedere has an indirect object of its own, and a dependent infinitive which has a direct object of its own, the indirect object of the main verb is in sense a direct object.

130.

A quel tempo faceva At that time he was a lawyer

l'avvocato

It's hot today

Fa caldo oggi Non fa niente

It doesn't make any difference

Si fece rosso

He became red

Fare is used in an extraordinary number of common idioms, of which those listed above are typical. The combination farsi, when si is a direct object, usually means "to become."

131. due anni fa

or

due anni sono two years ago

The words fa and sono are often used, with expressions of time, in the sense "ago."

132.

Il signore con cui parlavo The gentleman with whom I was talking

The word cui is chiefly used as a relative pronoun after a preposition.

133.

è un uomo le cui idee non He is a man whose ideas mi sembrano giuste do not seem sound to me

The word cui is also used, with the definite article, as a relative possessive.

(134.

Vostra Signoria è molto Your Lordship is very kind, huona

Ella or Lei è molto buona or You are very kind, lit., it huano

you are very kind

(i.e., your Lordship) is very kind

è molto buono

You are very kind

The preceding phrases illustrate the development of the modern polite form of direct address. first stage was the very common use of feminine titular nouns in polite address. The verb was of course in the third person, and a predicate adjective was feminine. The second stage, resulting from the fact that such a phrase as Vostra Signoria is too long for common utterance, was the use of the feminine pronoun of the third person to replace the feminine titular noun. The pronoun was often, but not always. written with a capital initial, to suggest the capitalized initials of Vostra Signoria. The verb remained in the third person; the predicate adjective sometimes remained feminine and sometimes became masculine if the person addressed was a man. This use is still common, but it has gradually given rise to the third stage, in which the expression of the subject pronoun (except for clearness or emphasis) is no longer regarded as necessary, and the predicate adjective regularly takes its gender from the sex of the person addressed. In accordance with the usage thus developed, third person feminine pronouns are used as objects with reference to the person addressed, and the possessives of the third person are used with the value "your," as has been seen in earlier lessons. A natural reaction from the use of feminine pronouns in addressing men has begun to manifest itself, and has brought about the general use of li instead of le, already studied, as conjunctive plural direct object. The same tendency often results, in Tuscany, in the use of lo instead of la as conjunctive singular direct object, as in the phrase arrivederlo, "goodbye"; but this usage is not as yet generally accepted.)

#### EXERCISE XX

- 1. Translate: farebbe facciano fece fai fatto faranno fo facessero facevi facciate feci farai fanno facemmo fa farete fecero faccio faceste fa farei facendo fate faccia facevo facciamo.
- 2. Translate: 1. Fammi il piacere di portarglieli.
  2. Mentre faceva il soldato, sei mesi fa, ebbe la notizia della morte dello zio. 3. Gli fece vedere la lettera benchè non avesse finito di scriverla. 4. Chi è? è quel giovane milanese di cui si parlava ier l'altro.
  5. Perchè Le lasciò credere che ci fosse stato? 6. Lo spiegammo loro tre volte, ma pare che non lo capiscano ancora. 7. è un pensatore profondo, la cui iama è

anche più grande all'estero che a casa. 8. Mi faccia il favore: ci vada a sentire se loro gliene hanno parlato. 9. Adesso si crede un grand'uomo: scommetto che si farà fare il ritratto. 10. Come farai, così avrai.

#### LESSON XXI

135. The conjugation of dire, "to say," is as follows:

INFINITIVE dire
PRES. PART. dicendo
PAST PART. detto

INFINITIVE SUBJUNCTIVE IMPERATIVE dico dica

PRESENT

dico dica dici dica di'

dice dica

diciamo diciamo diciamo dite diciate dite

dicono dicano

PAST

ABSOLUTE

dicevo, -a

DESCRIPTIVE etc.

Past dissi

dissi dicessi dicessi disse dicesse

dicemmo etc.

diceste dissero

future dirà

etc.

Past direi Future *etc.*  Dire, like fare, is really a verb of the third conjugation. The infinitive dire represents a Latin original dicere, the regular stem is dic-, and the regular endings are those of the third conjugation. The present participle, most forms of the present tenses, the past descriptive, the past absolute second singular and first and second plural, and the past subjunctive are then regular.

136.

Sento un grido; vado I heard a cry; I went to alla porta; l'apro; the door; I opened it; I non vedo nessuno saw no one

The present tense is often used in Italian as a vivid past.

Se lo vedo, glielo dico If I see him, I'll tell him so Torno subito I'll be back soon

The present tense is often used in Italian as a vivid future.

138.

Quale libro preferite? Which book do you prefer?
What book do you prefer?
Ouale idea! What an idea!

The word quale is used as an interrogative adjective or pronoun meaning "which" or "what." It is used also, like che, in exclamations, as an adjective equivalent to the English "what a."

139.

Ha scritto un romanzo e una commedia la quale a comedy which seems to me very good

The word quale is often used, with the definite article, as a relative pronoun, meaning in general "who" or "which."

140.

La vita è breve
Life is short
Dogs are faithful
Il signor Ghedini
Mr. Ghedini

L'Italia è chiamata il giardino del mondo

Ghedini has gone away

Italy is called the garden of the world

In many phrases, of which the above are typical, the definite article is used in Italian in cases in which the English idiom uses no article.

141.

Capì alla grossa He understood in a general way è un lavoro fatto alla It's a piece of work done meglio clumsily

The feminine article is used with a in many elliptic idiomatic phrases, without reference to any particular noun.

EXERCISE XXI

1. Translate: dicemmo direte disse dico
di' dicendo diramo dicevo direbbe dissi
detto dicano dicevi dicono dice dissero

direi dici diceste dite dica diciamo diceste sero dirai.

2. Translate: 1. Adesso me ne vo; e se ce lo trovo, ve lo mando subito. Mi dica: Le nanno mai fatto vedere la loro collezione di monete antiche? Quale di voi ha detto di voler parlarmi? 4. Mi disse che stava per partire: gli augurai il buon viaggio, e ci dicemmo addio. 5. Andò alla lesta a dirglielo.
6. Sento la notizia del suo arrivo; ci vado; mi sionice che dorme ancora; torno a casa; aspetto un'ora e mezzo; ci ritorno, e lo trovo che fa colazione. M. è partito pochi giorni sono per la Svizzera. 8. Si dice che lui ci vada ogni venerdi. 9. Il Bianchi tornerà un po' più tardi con quei due giovani, i quali non ci resteranno che un paio d'ore. 10. Dimmi chi pratichi e ti dirò chi sei.

#### LESSON XXII

#### 142.

Mi sono veduto

Ci siamo divertiti

We have amused ourselves

Si erano perduti

They had lost themselves.

they had lost themsel

Lei si è comprato dei libri

She has bought herself some books

Ti sei fatto male?

Have you hurt yourself?

Si era cominciato They (indefinite) had begun

essere, not avere, is used in the formation of perfect tenses when a reflexive object accompanies the verb.

The form of essere is to be translated by the corresponding form of the verb "to have."

The past participle in such cases usually agrees with the subject; but if the reflexive is indirect the past participle may agree with the subject, or with the direct object, or may remain in the masculine singular form regardless of both subject and object.

143. The cardinal numerals from 1 to 25, and certain higher numerals, are as follows:

uno	1	ventuno	21
due	2	ventidue	22
tre	3	ventitrè	23
quattro	4	ventiquattro	24
c <i>i</i> nque	5	venticinque	25
sei	6	trenta	<b>3</b> 0
sette	7	quaranta	<b>4</b> 0
otto	8	cinquan <b>ta</b>	<b>5</b> 0
nove	9	sessanta	<b>6</b> 0
dieci	10	settanta	<b>7</b> 0
<i>u</i> ndi <b>ci</b>	11	ottanta	80
dodici	12	novanta	90
tredici	13	cento	100
quattordici	14	dugento or	
qu <i>i</i> ndici	15	duec ento	200
sedici	16	trecento	300
diciassette	17	quattrocento	400
diciotto	18	cinquecento	500
diciannove	19	mille	1000
venti	20	due mila	2000

sono le due e disci it's two o'clock sono le due e din it's ten minutes past two it's quarter past two quarto sono le due e mezzo it's half past two sono le tre meno it's quarter of three un quarto sono le tre meno it's ten minutes of three disci

Phrases consisting of sono, the feminine plural form of the definite article, and a cardinal numeral, are used in telling the time of day.

il Dugento the thirteenth century 145. il Trecento the fourteenth century il Quattrocento the fifteenth century il Cinquecento the sixteenth century il Seicento the seventeenth century the eighteenth century il Settecento l'Ottocento the nineteenth century il Novecento the twentieth century

The preceding Italian phrases, in which a century is named from the hundred that appears in its dates, are very commonly used in place of the more cumbersome phrases, il secolo decimo terzo, etc., which correspond to the English century designations.

#### 146.

Ce lo vedemmo tutti e due Si presentarono tutti e tre

We both saw him there All three presented themselves

Both - ambe

The phrase tutti e due means "both"; and the phrases tutti e tre, tutti e quattro, etc., mean "all three," "all four," etc.

## 147. una quindicina fifteen or so un centingio a hundred or so

The ending -ina, affixed to lower numerals, and the ending -aio, affixed to higher numerals, indicate each a number approximately equal to that of the numeral in question.

#### EXERCISE XXII

- 1. Translate: mi sono trovato ti eri veduto ci saremmo detto addio vi sareste trovati si è cominciato a crederlo si era fatta rossa mi sarei comprato dei libri se n'è andato si era detto che non fosse vero mi si erano presentati vi siete fatto male si sono divertiti.
- 2. Pronounce and translate: ottantatto cinquantadue sessantanave novantuno quarantasci settantacinque centotrentadue trecentododici quattrocentonovantasci settecentuno trecento-duarantuno cinquecentoventiquattro centosette ottocentottantascite duecentosessantatre quattrocentonovantasci novecentosessantanave duecentoquindici seicentodiciatto centoventinave.
  - 3. Translate: sono le tre e venti sono le sei e mezzo sono le nove meno venticinque sono le sette e dodici sono le quattro meno cinque sono le undici e un quarto sono le cinque e dieci sono le otto meno un quarto sono le dieci e ventisei.

- 4. Translate: l'arte del Cinquecento la musica el Settecento la poesia del Dugento la filosofia del la pittura del Trecento la scienza ell'Ottocento, la scultura del Quattrocento ocietà del Seicento.
- 5. Translate: 1. Se n'erano andati tutti e due. . Pare che siano tornati allo stile del Seicento. 3. Il reno parte alle tre e ventitre dopo mezzogiorno, e 4. Se si fosse vedutas rriva a Siena verso le sette. quel momento, credo che avrebbe cambiato maniera 5. Gli si è dato qualche centinaio di lire.

148. A list of irregular verbs not studied in the receding lessons will be found on pages 140-49. As art of the present lesson, the student should read arefully the introductory statement of that list, and hould enable himself to use the list for the identificaion of irregular forms. Section 1 of the exercise ccompanying this lesson affords material for practice 1 such identification.

149.	ho fame	I am hungry
	ho sete	I am thirsty
	ho sonno	I am sleepy
	ho freddo	I am cold
	ho caldo	I am hot
	ho ragione	I am right
	ho torto	I am wrong

Avere stands with a noun object in a number of idiomatic phrases which correspond to English phrases consisting of "to be" and an adjective.

150.

Sono qui da tre giorni I have been here for three days ero lì da tre giorni I had been there for three days

Italian uses a present tense with da and a phrase of time, whereas English in corresponding cases uses the present perfect tense with "for."

Similarly, Italian uses a past descriptive with da in cases in which English uses a past perfect with "for."

The Italian use of these tenses with da is exactly parallel to the French use of these tenses with depuis.

151.

è giovane, ma parla da He is young, but he talks uomo like a man

Sarà da lei stasera

I shall be at your house this evening

Un francobollo da disci A ten-centesimi stamp

The preposition da is used in many idiomatic senses, of which those illustrated above are typical. The use of da in the first instance corresponds to a French use of en; its use in the second instance corresponds to the use of the French chez.

152.

Aveva tolta la giacca He had taken off his jacket

Andò in Francia col fratello He went to France with his

brother

In Italian usage the definite article suffices to carry the idea of possession when no real ambiguity results from absence of a possessive.

#### EXERCISE XXIII

- 1. Identify these forms, by use of the List of Irregular Verbs on pages 140-49, and state in each case the infinitive of the verb in question: apparve cocendo debba distintero dorra esce giuocor misica nacquero muorie pianse pongono rimasto ruppi sa scrisse suona speso tenga tose trarrelebe varra vieni vissi vuole concesso displacque indurra ricoperse.
- 2. Translate: hanno fame avrà sete avrebbero sonno avevo freddo abbiamo caldo avevano ragione hai torto avevi fame ha sete avrai sonno avrebbe freddo hanno caldo ho ragione aveste torto.
- 3. Translate: 1. Se vai da lui, ci troverai probabilmente anche l'amico fiorentino. 2. Aspettiamo da una mezz'ora, e se lui non si fa vedere fra disci minuti non l'aspettiamo più. 3. Non è però un'azione da galantuomo. 4. Tira fuori il portafogli; ne cava un biglietto da venticinque lire; paga il conto; e parte senza dire una parola a nessuno. 5. Chi ha meno ragione grida più forte.

#### LESSON XXIV

153.	avere	to have
	cadere	to fall
	dolere	to grieve
Harris Land	dovere	to owe
	giacere	to lie
	godere	to enjo <b>y</b>
. <b>t</b> e - e-	_ parere	to seem
	persuadere	to persuade
	piacere	to please
	poter <b>e</b>	to be able
	rimanere	to remain
	sapere	to know
	seder <b>e</b>	to sit
	solere	to be accustomed
	tacere	to be silent
	temere	to fear
	tenere	to hold
	valere	to be worth
	veder <b>e</b>	to see
•	volere	to wish

The preceding list is a complete list of the modern simple verbs of the second conjugation. The list of the twenty Italian infinitives should be memorized for the sake of eventual accuracy in pronunciation. In the infinitives of these verbs and of their compounds the stress rests on the first e of the ending: in all other infinitives in -ere the stress rests on the stem.

154. For this lesson the student should study, in the List of Irregular Verbs, pages 140-49, the verbs cadere, persuadere, sedere, vedere, giacere, piacere, and tacere (these last three verbs are parallel to each other in irregularity). These verbs should be studied with sufficient care to enable the student readily to identify their irregular forms.

# 155. Sarà dal Rosati He is probably at Rosati's Avrà sentito la You have doubtless heard the news

The future tense is often used in Italian instead of the present to convey an idea of probability or possibility or implied certainty.

## 156. eccomi here I am eccola here she is

Conjunctive pronouns are appended to the word ecco just as if it were a positive imperative verb form. It has in fact the force of an imperative meaning "behold," and corresponds to the French voici and voild.

#### 157.

darsela a gambe averla con una persona farla a una persona farla finita to take to one's legs to be angry with a person to play a trick on a person to put an end to it

The feminine conjunctive la is used in many idiomatic phrases without reference to any particular noun.

#### Exercise XXIV

1. Translate: caddero persuaso siedono vedrei piaccia tacqui visto cadri siedi vide giaccio piacquero caddi persuase seggono vedra giacqui piacciono videro tacciamo.

2. Translate: 1. Se gli si è dato quanto credi, avrà adesso almeno quanto aveva prima. 2. eccoli che siedono all'ombra di quella quercia. 3. Lui però non ce li vide mai. 4. Le piace che ci siano andati? No. Le dispiace, allora? No: non mi fa niente. 5. Gliela faranno quando meno l'aspetta. 6. A quel punto tacque, benche tutti credessero che avesse cominciato appena. 7. Gli altri caddero, e lui se la diede a gambe. 8. Adesso l'ha col Bruni: sarà perchè non gli piacque quel che disse il Bruni del suo fratello. 9. Non si è mai lasciato persuadere. 10. Sono le cinque e mezzo: certo ci sarà arrivato; e forse l'avranno già mandato indietro colla risposta.

#### LESSON XXV

158. For this lesson the student should study, in the List of Irregular Verbs, the verbs dolere, parere, rimanere, sapere, solere, tenere, and valere.

159.

La voce pareva venisse da quella camera

that room, lit., the voice it seemed it came from that room

Parere, even when impersonal in force, often follows the word which is the subject in the thought. In this construction the subjunctive often follows parere directly, without an intervening che. Note that the English idiom calls for a translation with "to" and the infinitive.

160.

Sapeva che erano arrivati He knew that they had come

Seppe che erano arrivati He found out that they had come

The past absolute of sapere has the special sense of "came to know," "found out."

161.

Ci sarebbe un posto per me? Is there a place for me?

Mi farebbe questo favore? Would you do me this favor?

The past future is used in Italian, much oftener than in English, as a politely mild equivalent of the present or the future.

162.

Secondo lui avrebbero According to him they anche un'altra villa have another villa too

L'armata sarebbe giunta al confine The army is reported to have reached the boundary

The past future is often used in reporting a statement for the accuracy of which the speaker or writer disclaims responsibility.

163.

la casa la dovetti vendere

or

la dovetti vendere la casa I had to sell the house a lui glielo diedi

or

glielo diedi a lui

I gave it to him

When the object, direct or indirect, is for emphasis taken from its normal place after the verb and put at the beginning of the clause, it is usually repeated by a conjunctive pronoun.

Frequently also a conjunctive pronoun which anticipates the object stands with the verb even when the object is in its normal position.

164.

Ci porta qualche cosa di Are you bringing us somebuono? thing good?

Non c'era niente di nuovo There was nothing new Cosa studia d'interes- What are you studying sante? that is interesting?

Vide un non so che di nero He saw something black

The preposition di is often used with a partitive value between a pronoun, or pronominal phrase, and an adjective.

The combination un non so che is often used with the meaning "something." It carries the idea of something indefinable.

#### EXERCISE XXV

- 1. Translate: paiono rimasto sa tenni
  varra duole parvero rimarrebbe sanno solito
  tenga valse dolgono palamo rimasero saprei
  suole terro valgono dolse parso rimase sai
  sappiamo sogliono tennero paia rimase sai
  tengo valso.
- 2. Translate: 1. C'era però nelle sue parole un non so che di nuovo e di triste che non mi piacque punto. 2. Quell'altro păreva ci entrasse soltanto perche fuori 3. Mi saprebbe dire il nome faceva tanto freddo. di quel signore? 4. Quel ragazzo ce lo trovai ancora questa mattina. 5. C'era stato con essi anche prima; e così seppi che è napoletano, e che ha fatto degli studi importantissimi nel campo della zoologia. quel che dice il giornale: "Sarebbe stato ritrovato a Ravenna un ritratto di Dante." 7. Gli dirò quel che ne penso, sa, a quell'avvocato! 8. erano già rimasti un'ora, e bisognava partire subito. 9. Quanto varrebbe? Non so: forse una ventina di lire. 10. Gli duole di non poter darvelo subito.

### LESSON XXVI

165. For this lesson the student should study, in the List of Irregular Verbs, the verb dovere.

	_		supposed	<i>ب</i>
166. deve parlare	compulsion he has to speak, he must speak	he must be speak- ing	DESTINY he is to speak	DUTY
doveva parlare	he had to speak	he must have spoken	he was to speak	
dovette parlare	he had to speak			
dovrà parlare	he will have to speak			
dovrebbe parlare	he would have to speak			he ought to speak, he should speak
ha dovuto parlare	he has had to speak	he must have spoken		
aveva dovuto parlare	he had had to speak	he must have spoken		
avrà dovuto parlare	he will have had to speak	:		•
avrebbe dovuto parlare	he would hav had to speak	<b>76</b>		he ought to have spoken, he should

spoken '

The main idea of dovere as auxiliary is compulsion. Each of its tenses may express this idea. Thus, deve parlare may mean "he is to speak," "he is compelled to speak," "he is obliged to speak," "he is forced to speak," "he must speak."

Besides this main idea dovere has at times three other ideas, each limited to certain tenses: the ideas of certainty, destiny, and duty.

It may express the idea of certainty in the present and in the past descriptive tenses, and in the two corresponding compound tenses. Thus, deve parlare may mean "he must be speaking," "he is evidently speaking," "he is certainly speaking."

It may express the idea of destiny in the present and past descriptive tenses. Thus, deve parlare may mean "he is to speak."

It may express the idea of duty in the past future and in the corresponding compound tense. Thus dovrebbe parlare may mean "he ought to speak," "he should speak" (when "should" means "ought to"). Notice that the past future and the corresponding compound tense are the only tenses of dovere which can be translated with "ought."

167.

Di giorno e di notte Dove sta di casa? Credo di sì By day and by night Where does he live? I think so Faceva di tutto per riuscire He did everything he could to succeed

Quell'avaro di Giuseppe That miser of a Joseph, that miserly fellow Joseph

Un monte detto di San A mountain called "San Martino"

Credo di aver detto tutta I think I have told the la verità whole truth

The preposition di is used in a large number of idiomatic ways, some of which are illustrated above.

#### EXERCISE XXVI

- 1. Translate, using forms of the English verb "to owe": devo dovrà dovevi dovrebbero doveste dovendo debba dobbiamo doverono devono dovremo dovuto deve.
- 2. Translate these phrases as expressing the ide of compulsion: dovrà parlare devono parlandoveste parlare dovrebbero parlare dovevo parlare devi parlare dovrete parlare dovevano parlare dovuto parlare avrete dovuto parlare avevano dovuto parlare avreti dovuto parlare.
- 3. Translate these phrases as expressing the idea of certainty: deve essere li devono essere li dovevano essere li doveva essere li hanno dovuto essere li aveva dovuto essere li.

- 4. Translate these phrases as expressing the idea of estiny: dobbiamo andare dovevi andare devo ndare dovevamo andare dovevo ndare doveve andare dovevano andare.
- 5. Translate these phrases as expressing the idea of uty: dovrei tornare avrei dovuto tornare dovresti primare avresti dovuto tornare dovrebbe tornare vrebbe dovuto tornare dovrebbero tornare avremio dovuto tornare dovreste tornare avreste dovuto primare.
- 6. Translate: 1. Se non ce l'avessero trovato, vrebbero dovuto tornare alla città senza vedere essuno della famiglia. 2. eccole finalmente: doveano venire alle due, e sono adesso le tre meno venti. Secondo quel che ne dice lui, quei loro quadri devono alere più di sessanta mila lire. 4. Avresti dovuto omandargli dove sta di casa. 5. Aveva fatto di utto per salvare qualche cosa, ma ha dovuto cedere nche il poderetto.

#### LESSON XXVII

168. For this lesson the student should study, the List of Irregular Verbs, the verbs potere and voler

169.	ABILITY	POSSIBILITY	SUCCESS
può parlare	he is able to speak, he can speak	he may speak	
poteva parlare	he was able to speak, he could speak	he might have spoken	
potè parlare	he was able to speak		he succeede
potr <b>à</b> parlare	he will be able to speak	he may speak	
potrebbe par <b>lare</b>	he would be able to speak, he could speak	he might speak	
ha potuto parlare	he has been able to speak, he can have spoken	he may have spoken	
aveva potuto parlare	he had been able to speak he could have spoken	he might have spoken	
avr <b>å</b> potuto parlare	he will have been able to speak, he can have spoken	he may have spoken	
avrebbe potuto parlare	he would have been able to speak, he could have spoken		

The main idea of potere is ability. Each of its tenses may express this idea. It has often the idea of possibility, which it may express in any tense except the past absolute. The past absolute has also the special sense "came to be able," "succeeded."

170. voglio parlare

I wish to speak
I want to speak
I will to speak
I insist on speaking
I will speak
I try to speak
I am glad to speak
I am willing to speak
I should like to speak

vorrei parlare non voglio parlare

I don't want to speak
I refuse to speak

Volere as auxiliary means usually "to wish" or "to want." It may, however, express almost any shade of volition, strong or weak, as indicated above. The past future equivalent of "I am glad to speak" is "I should like to speak." With a negative, volere often assumes a meaning as strong as "refuse."

**171**.

La parola "casetta" vuol
dire "casa piccola"
Ci volle un'ora per finirlo
Mi vuol bene
Cosa vuole?

The word "casetta" means
"a little house"

It took an hour to finish it
He is fond of me, he loves me
What can you expect?

Volere is used in many common idioms, of which those listed above are typical. With the last, compare the French que voulez-vous?

172.

Isri ho veduto Giovanni e Yesterday I saw John and la sorella his sister

Sono partiti un'ora fa They left an hour ago

The present perfect is often used instead of the past absolute in the statement of a recent action.

This use of this tense, which is similar to a French use e of the present perfect, is becoming more and more common in Italy; but the past absolute still remains s the normal past tense.

173.

Non lo posso spiegare

Glielo volevo dare

I cannot explain it

I wanted to give it to him

Mi venne a cercare

He came to look for me

A conjunctive pronoun standing with a main verb is often in thought the object of a dependent infinitive.

This is true even in some cases in which a preposition intervenes between the main verb and the infinitive.

#### EXERCISE XXVII

1. Identify: possiamo potrà può potè possono poterono puoi potesse potrei possavogliono vorremo vuoi volle voglia vorrei volli vogliamo vorreste vollero.

- 2. Translate these phrases as expressing the idea of ability: potevano seguire potrò seguire possono seguire potrei seguire potei seguire puoi seguire potevo seguire hanno potuto seguire avrò potuto seguire avevo potuto seguire avreste potuto seguire.
- 3. Translate these phrases as expressing the idea of possibility: posso perdere potremo perdere potevano perdere potreste perdere potevo perdere può perdere ha potuto perdere avrà potuto perdere avevi potuto perdere avremmo potuto perdere.
- 4. Translate these phrases as expressing strong volition; volevo pagare vuol pagare vorranno pagare volle pagare vorrei pagare hanno voluto pagare avrebbe voluto pagare aveva voluto pagare.
- 5. Translate the same phrases as expressing weak volition.
- finirlo ci vorra un'altra settimana. 2. Ce li ho veduti ieri, e ci possono cornare anche stamane. 3. Non gli vorrei dire una cosa della quale non gli potrei dimo-strare la verità. 4. Stanno li da una mezz'ora: ho detto loro che lui non tornerà che alle disci, ma lo vogliono aspettare. 5. Chi non può fare come vuole,

faccia come può.

Accus sales

#### LESSON XXVIII

174. For this lesson the student should study the verbs in -endere, -idere, and -udere given in the List of Irregular Verbs.

All past participles in -eso and all past absolutes in -esi correspond to infinitives in -endere.

All past participles in -iso and all past absolutes in -isi (except misi) correspond to infinitives in -idere.

All past participles in -uso and all past absolutes in -usi (except fuso and fusi) correspond to infinitives in -udere.

175.

Disse che ce l'avrebbe He said that he would give dato it to us

Speravo che sarebbe ve- I hoped that you would nuto più presto come sooner

The past future perfect is often used in cases in which the English idiom requires the simple past future.

176.

Mi duole la testa

My head aches

Gli avete rubato il posto

You have stolen his place

Si levò il cappello Si era tagliato la mano He took off his hat

mano He had cut his hand

The indirect conjunctive pronouns often serve merely to indicate possession.

#### 177.

venire

Vorrei e questo e quello

O Giovanni o il fratello ci deve andare

Chi saliva, chi scendeva

Si vedeva dove un pezzo, dove un altro, dove una lunga distesa del fiume Non venne, sia che non avesse ricevuto la lettera, sia che non volesse I should like both this one and that one

Either John or his brother must go there

Some were going up, others were going down

One saw here a bit, there another, there a long stretch of the river

He didn't come, either because he hadn't received the letter, or because he didn't want to come

Several Italian words assume special meanings when used as correlatives.

EXERCISE XXVIII

1. Translate: deciso difesi rise resero
chiuso scesi ucciso sorrise conclusero acceso
divisi prese decisero difeso risi rese chiusero sceso uccisi sorriso concluse accesero
diviso presi.

2. Translate: 1. S'è fatto cavare due denti.
2. Dicevano che il concorso si sarebbe chiuso il dieci giugno. 3. Credevo che saremmo arrivati prima di loro. 4. L'avete chiusa quella porta?. 5. Se glielo vado a dire, mi ride in faccia. 6. Sia che fosse disgrazia, sia che non sapesse fare, perdette tutto il suo e

gran parte di quel che gli aveva portato la moglie.

7. Si sentiva il cuore leggero per la gioia che avrebbe data a tutti e due.

8. I lumi non s'erano ancora accesi, e non ci si poteva vedere niente.

9. Mi prese la mano, mi disse che sapeva di aver avuto torto, e mi domandò se non lo volessi perdonare.

10. Questo mondo è fatto a scale, chi le scende e chi le sale.

#### LESSON XXIX

178. For this lesson the student should study the verbs ardere, -cedere, correre, discutere, fondere, invadere, mettere, mordere, -primere, radere, and rodere.

179.

Tornò senza averlo trovato He came back without having found it

Ce lo darà prima di partire He will give it to us before leaving

The Italian infinitive after a preposition often corresponds to an English present participle.

180.

Il parlare troppo gli ha Talking too much has cost costato caro him dear

Nel cadere si tagliò la In falling he cut his right destra hand

The Italian infinitive with a definite article often corresponds to an English present participle.

181. davanti a noi
dietro a lui
vicino alla casa
venne incontro al
fratello
contro di loro

before us
behind him
near the house
he came to meet his
brother
against them

contro di loro against them
al di là del fiume beyond the river

The prepositions a and di appear as the final members of many prepositional phrases.

182.

Ci mise davanti tutte le He put all the papers carte before us

Le stavano vicino on the papers before us

They were standing near her

Gli venne incontro a. ( ... She came to meet him

When the logical object of a prepositional phrase of which the final member is a is a personal pronoun, the use of a disjunctive pronoun is often avoided by putting a conjunctive pronoun before the verb, omitting the a, and treating the first member of the prepositional phrase as an adverb.

#### EXERCISE XXIX

- 1. Translate: corsi inv*as*ero messo mise discussi roso concessero fuso espresse espressi dimisero marsi arso corsero raso invaso misi. concesse
- 2. Translate: 1. Le corsero dietro, chiamandola per nome. 2. Dovrebbe aiutarci lui invece di star

lì a divertirsi.

3. Il perdere quelle carte gli ha costato un mese di lavoro.

4. Si guardava attorno come se avesse paura che qualcuno lo vedesse.

5. è un giovane la cui maniera di parlare ci pare stranissima.

6. Si discuteva se si dovesse dirglielo subito.

7. Doveva parlargliene, ma al vederlo decise di tacere.

8. Il pensare è alle volte più difficile che l'agire.

9. Ci stava davanti, prontissimo a fare tutto quel che avremmo voluto.

10. Si mise il cappello e il soprabito, ma restò ancora una decina di minuti a chiacchierare.

#### LESSON XXX

183. For this lesson the student should study the verbs chiedere, distinguere, nascondere, piovere, rispondere, rompere, scrivere, sistere, -solvere, and spechere.

184.

Trovato Giovanni che lavorava lì, gli diede il pacco
Vedutala in pericolo, corse ad aiutarla
Partiti gli altri, noi due ci mettemmo a studiare
Contenta lei, la cosa andrà bene

Having found John working there, he gave him the package
Seeing her in danger, he ran to help her
When the others had gone, we two began to study
If she is content, the thing will go all right

The past participle is often used to form an absolute clause with a noun or pronoun. Such clauses can usually be translated by use of the English present perfect participle, as "having seen," "having gone,"

etc.; but the English idiom often requires a present rather than a perfect participle, and often prefers a temporal or a conditional clause. The past participle thus used generally agrees in gender and number with the noun or pronoun with which it is associated; but if the person whose action is expressed in the past participle is also the subject of the sentence, the past participle may agree in gender and number with that subject.

As the last example shows, adjectives are used like participles to form absolute clauses.

185.

Tornati che furono, trovarono pronto ogni cosa When they returned, they found everything ready

A clause consisting of a past participle, che, and a form of avere or essere is often used as the equivalent of an ordinary temporal clause with quando.

186. libro book librone big book faccia face faccione large face bene well benone very well

The augmentative ending -one normally denotes a relative increase in size or in intensity. This ending, and the endings discussed in the following paragraphs, are used very freely in Italian. Their force, however, cannot always be rendered by English adjectives or adverbs. Sometimes they indicate a gradation too slight to be accounted for in translation; sometimes the word produced by their use has come to have a

special meaning in which the original force of the ending is lost.

#### 187.

fanciullo	boy	fanciullino	little boy
bello	beautiful	bellino	pretty
mamma	mother	mammina	dear little mother
casa	house	casetta	little house
campana	bell	campanella	little bell

The endings -ino, -etto, -ello, the corresponding feminine endings, certain endings derived from these, such as -icino and -erello, and certain other endings, such as -otto, -uccio, and -uolo, are diminutive endings, and normally denote relative diminution in size or in intensity. Many of them may carry the idea of affection; some of them may carry the idea of contempt.

188. tempo weather tempaccio bad weather The ending -accio denotes worthlessness or disagreeableness.

#### EXERCISE XXX

- 1. Translate: nascosero ruppi risoluto chiese distinsero piove spento scrisse risposi chiesi esistito nascose ruppero chiesto distinse scrissi risposto piovve rotto chiesero nascosi distinto.
- 2. State for each of these words whether the ending denotes largeness, smallness, or worthlessness or disagreeableness: lagrimetta nasone lezioncina parolaccia manina canaletto figliuolo poverello

piazzetta lumicino ท่อ cassone ccio cavallaccio cappellone poveretto citviolino violone cosuccia violoncello rellucciaccio. Harryashin , west Translate: 1. Fattagli la domanda, gli stavano no ad aspettare la risposta. 2. Quella lettera scrisse prima di partire per Genova. 3. Sentito arebbe andata da voi, le chiesi se ce la potessi 4. Si doveva andare oggi, ma, malata apagnare. con questo tempaccio, bisognava restare a casa. rtiti che furono, cominciarono tutti a parlare non ma della sorellina... 6. Hanno risoluto di andar-contro loro stessi... 7. Vedute quelle carte, si che non valeva la pena di proseguire. 8. S'è 'la gamba, poveretto, e chi sa quando potrà 9. Rispostogli che sarebbe tornato re al lavoro. iove, se n'ando in fretta. 10. Portava un capne che le nascondeva mezza la faccia.

#### LESSON XXXI

<b>39.</b>	conoscere	to know
	conosco	I know
	conosci	you know
	conoscono	they know
	conosca	let him know
	conoscano	let them know
	pi <i>a</i> ngere	to weep pronts - process
	piango	I weep
	pi <i>a</i> ngono	they weep

In verbs of the third conjugation in which the infinitive ends in -cere or -gere no *i* is inserted before the present endings -o, -ono, -a, -ano. A variation in the sound of the stem thus results; but since this variation is common to all these verbs it is not regarded as an irregularity.

190. For this lesson the student should study the verbs conoscere, crescere, nascere, torcere, and vincere.

191.	mi volto	I turn
	mi muovo	I move
	mi alzo	I rise
	mi fermo	I stop
	mi <i>s</i> v <i>e</i> glio	I awake
	mi batto	I fight
	mi pento	I repent

Italian uses the reflexive construction in many cases in which English uses an intransitive verb. In some such cases, as in the first five in the foregoing list, the meaning of the Italian verb as reflexive is clearly the intransitive equivalent of the meaning of the same Italian verb as transitive. In other cases, as in the next-to-last example above, the meaning of the Italian verb as reflexive is an idiomatic meaning not obviously related to that of the verb as transitive. In other cases, as in the last example above, the verb is used only as reflexive.

192. mi accorgo di lui mi ricardo di lui

mi scardo di lui

I perceive him I remember him

I forget him

In some cases an Italian reflexive verb, though eally intransitive in force, is with the following reposition equivalent, through difference in idiom, to n English transitive verb.

liomatic ways, some of which are illustrated above.

193.

'olse la scatola a Giovanni, He took the box from

e la diede a Francesco

occa a Lei

'enserete a me, non è vero?

tava lì a lavorare

. leggere quel che scrive lo crederebbe pazzo

1 vederlo, fuggirono ggi a otto

Ina macchina a vapore

John and gave it to

Francis

It's your turn.

You will think of me, will vou not?

He was there working

If you read what he writes you would think

him crazy

On seeing him they fled

A week from today A steam engine

The preposition a is used in a large number of

194.

) come credi di finirlo?

How do you think you will finish it?

the le pare una bella azione? or

azione?

) che le pare una bella Does it seem to you a worthy action?

The words o and che, singly or together, are often used, without translatable force, to introduce questions.

### EXERCISE XXXI

- 1. Translate: crescono nacque torto vinca conobbi cresciuto nasce torsi vincono conosci crebbero nascono vinse conobbero cresce nato vinci conosciuto crebbe nacquero vinto. ye
  - 2. Translate: mi voltai si muovono si alzò fermatevi ti sveglierai ci batteremmo vi pentiste si volterebbe muoversi alzati si fermino mi svegliai si battono ti pentiresti voltandosi si muova si alzavano ci fermammo si svegli battendoci mi pentii me ne ricordai mi sono svegliato si era voltato ci saremo fermati vi sareste alzati si sono battuti se ne sono pentiti me n'ero scordato.
  - 3. Translate: 1. Lo conosciamo di vista, ma non ci è stato presentato. 2. Ho fatto io tutto quel che ho potuto: ora gli tocca a lui. 3. Si svegli, signore, fra venti minuti si arriva a Bologna. 4. O che si lascera vincere così? 5. Sta a Roma da sei mesi a studiare l'architettura del Cinquecento. 6. Lei pensa sempre a quel figliuolo che perdette due anni sono. 7. Che lo conosci quel pittore francese? 8. oggi a otto ci vedremo dallo Zanetti. 9. Dante nacque a Firenze nel milleduecentosessantacinque. 10. Non si scordi di noi.

### LESSON XXXII

195. For this lesson the student should study the verbs in -ggere and -ngere given in the List of Irregular Verbs.

196.

Si andava al teatro

or

Noi si andava al teatro Noi si era andati al teatro We went to the theater
We had gone to the
theater

A third singular verb form with si is often used instead of a first plural form. The subject pronoun noi is sometimes expressed in connection with such a phrase.

197.

Che se ne vada

Che ci abbia lasciati?
Sì che lo farò
Rimase qui una settimana,
che ci aveva molto da
fare
Gli disde molte monete,
che n'ebbe piene le
tasche

Let him go away

Can he have left us?

I certainly will do it

He stayed here a week,

as he had much to do

here

He gave him many coins, so that he had his pockets full

The conjunction che is used in many idiomatic constructions, some of which are illustrated above. The first three are really elliptic. A main verb expressing command is implicit in the first case. Che se ne

vada does not differ in meaning from se ne vada as used without the che when the subject is really in the third person. In the second case some such introductory phrase as "can it be" is implicit; and in the third case some such phrase as "it is true." In the fourth case the che serves as a weak conjunction of cause; and in the last case it serves as a weak conjunction of result.

198.

Pensava a quel problema He was thinking of that problem

Ci pensava He was thinking of it Rinunziò all'onore He gave up the honor

Ci rinunzià He gave it up

The adverb ci is used as a conjunctive pronominal equivalent of a phrase consisting of the preposition a and a pronoun which does not refer to a person.

199. Cosa c'è? What is it?

What is the matter?

Ci avrebbe un fiammifero? Have ve

Have you a match?

The adverb ci is used idiomatically in many cases without translatable force.

### EXERCISE XXXII

1. Translate: leggo protesse fritto lessi regge fissi afflitto legga strugge fitto proteggono resse stringono finsero spinto giunsi

tinge piansi unto cinse piangi stretto giungo piansero.

2. Translate: 1. Noi si rimarrà ancora un mese. 2. Che sia lui che ha fatto questo? 3. Ci penserò stasera, e domani Le farò nota la mia risoluzione. 4. S'era giunti al ponte quando lei si fermò ad aspettare gli altri. 5. Ci s'è andati ieri, ma essi non c'erano. 6. Che studi, se vuol formarsi un'opinione intelligente. 7. Cosa c'è? C'è stato uno scontro di automobili, lì nella piazzetta. 8. Giunti là, non sapevano cosa fare. 9. Prima non lo volevo leggere; ma adesso che me n' ha dato una copia lui stesso, sì che lo leggerò.

10. O che ci crede Lei che loro ci abbiano ragione?

### LESSON XXXIII

200. For this lesson the student should study the verbs accorgersi, dirigere, porgere, scorgere, sorgere, spargere, and volgere.

201.

Se ci fosse stato lui, non sarebbe successo questo

or

Se c'era lui, non succedeva If he had been there, this questo wouldn't have happened

The past descriptive is sometimes used as a substitute for the past perfect subjunctive after se, and for the past future perfect in a conclusional clause.

202.

Si godevano la bella vista

They were enjoying the beautiful view

S'immagini che scena!

Imagine what a scene!

Keep the book (for yourself)

An indirect reflexive pronoun without translatable force is in many cases associated with a transitive verb.

203. The ordinal numerals from 1st through 12th, and some of the higher ordinals, are as follows:

primo	1st	und ecimo	
secondo	2d	or	
terzo	3d	decimo primo	11th
quarto	4th	duod ecimo	
		0 <b>7</b>	
quinto	$5 \mathrm{th}$	decimo secondo	12th
sεsto	6th	ventesimo	20th
settimo	$7 \mathrm{th}$	trentesimo	30th
ottavo	8th	quarantesimo	40th
nono	$9  ext{th}$	cinquantesimo	50th
decimo	10th	centesimo	100th

### EXERCISE XXXIII

dirigono1. Translate: scorto mi porse vəlto accorsi sparge sporgono sorge diresse mi accorgo scorsi porga sparsero sporge vəlsi dirigo si accorse scorsero porto sparsi sorto volgono. sporto

2. Translate: 1. Non s'accorse che il treno era già in movimento. 2. Fra i papi più famosi del Rinascimento si nominano Niccolò quinto, Pio secondo, Sisto quarto, Alessandro sesto, Giulio secondo, e Leone decimo. 3. Se ci pensavano un po' più a lungo, non gli rispondevano così. 4. M'immaginavo che ne sareste contenti. 5. Vide il pacco e se lo prese senza nemmeno ringraziarci. 6. Il Castiglione è uno dei letterati più eminenti del secolo decimo sesto. 7. Dirige l'orchestra da qualche mese un giovane maestro siciliano. 8. Mi ero accorto della loro intenzione, ma non mi toccava a me ad impedirli. 9. Lì almeno ci goderemo un buon pranzo. 10. Troverai quella regola nella ventesima nona lezione.

### LESSON XXXIV

204. For this lesson the student should study the verbs cogliere, scegliere, sciogliere, togliere, and vivere.

205.

ghi

Spero che venga
Non c'è pericolo che lo
perdano
Cerca uno che glielo spie-

Speravo che venisse

I hope that he will come There is no danger that they will lose it

He is looking for someone who will explain it to him

I hoped that he would

Non c'era pericolo che lo perdessero
Cercava uno che glielo spiegasse

There was no danger that they would lose it He was looking for someone who would explain it to him

The present subjunctive is in several types of clauses to be translated by the future.

The past subjunctive in the same types of clause is to be translated by the past future.

206.

Canta meglio che non She sings better than she suona plays

Quanto non darei a vederlo How much I would give to qui ancora! see him here again!

Aspettai finchè non tornò I waited until he returned

The word non is often used without translatable force in clauses of the first two types illustrated above: that is, when two actions are compared and in rhetorical questions. The word finche in itself means "as long as"; the combination finche non therefore means "until."

207.

Le piace? Se mi piace! Do you like it? Like it?
i.e., I like it very much

The conjunction se is often used to introduce a clause which consists chiefly of repetition of part of a question and is in effect an emphatic answer to the question.

### EXERCISE XXXIV

- 1. Translate: scelgo scialto toglie vissi cogli scelto sciolgono təlsero vissuto colga vivrà scelse scialsi talta colsero scegli scioglie tolsi vissero.
- 2. Translate: 1. Può essere che scelgano lui, ma quell'altro lo conoscono tanto meglio! 2. Gli tolse la lettera e se la mise in tasca. 3. Noi si sperava che ci scrivesse spesso. 4. L'ho studiato più che non pare. 5. Che conoscete quel giovane ch'è entrato or ora? Se lo conosco! è mio cugino! 6. Temono che non viva se rimane lì. 7. Mi aveva consigliato di leggere prima una delle sue commedie, ma scelsi invece il suo ultimo romanzo. 8. Faccia venire o un uomo o un ragazzo che ci guidi alle rovine. 9. Finchè non li pubblica, non si saprà se quei suoi studj sulla poesia popolare siano così importanti come crede lui. 10. Lorenzo de' Medici visse nel secolo decimo quinto.

### LESSON XXXV

208. porre to put
ponendo putting
ponete you are putting

In several verbs of the third conjugation the infinitive is itself irregular. In all such verbs the regular stem appears in the present participle.

209. For this lesson the student should study the verbs bere, cuscere, -durre, musvere, nuscere, percustere, porre, scustere, and trarre.

210.

it is enough that he should say so, it is enough for

him to say so

Bastava che lo dicesse It was enough that he should

say so, it was enough for

him to say so

The present subjunctive used after an impersonal verb is to be translated by a present subjunctive, by a phrase with "should," or by an infinitive phrase with "for"; the past subjunctive in one of the two latter ways.

211.

Va' senza che lui ti veda Go without his seeing you

Me ne andai senza che I went without his seeing me
lui mi vedesse

Senza che with a subjunctive is to be translated by "without" with a present participle.

212. distintamente distinctly specialmente specially

The adverb ending -mente corresponds to the English ending -ly.

213.

Il vecchio parlava lento The old man was speaking slowly

A predicate adjective has often the value of an adverb.

### EXERCISE XXXV

- 1. Translate: pose bevessi cuace condotto nociuto percuote scossero trarrà poncatto condussi gono bevve muova. nocque percotendo sesso trae porrei bevono cossi condurrete moviamo trasse posto coceva condurreste masso traendo.
- 2. Translate: 1. Non è possibile che facciano questo! 2. S'era posta alla finestra, e Mario le stava accanto. 3. Bisognava che li conducesse fino alla porta della stazione. 4. Eppur si muove. 5. Bisognerebbe dirgli che se non parla chiaro non si saprà cosa voglia dire. 6. Le piacerebbe che se ne scordassero? 7. Non sapevano se farsi avanti o trarsi indietro. 8. Non è necessario che ci vadano tutti e due: basta che ci sia o l'uno o l'altro. 9. Scosse la testa, e gli rispose freddamente che non si moverebbe. 10. Traduca ora l'ultima frase.

### LESSON XXXVI

214. For this lesson the student should study the verbs aprire, coprire, offrire, soffrire, apparire, comparire, sparire, fuggire, morire, salire, seppellire, udire, uscire, and venire.

215.

Gli venne riferito tutto il The whole conversation was colloquio reported to him

Venire is often used instead of essere in the formation of passive verbal phrases.

216.

Vuole che vengano

Permetta ch'io gli parli

Disse che lo facessero

subito

He wants them to come

Allow me to speak to him

He told them to do it at

once

The subjunctive after a verb of desire or concession is generally to be translated by an infinitive phrase, the subject of the Italian subordinate clause becoming the object of the main verb in English.

217.

Lo trattavano come fosse They treated him as if he un vecchio amico were an old friend

When come is used with a past subjunctive it is equivalent to come se, and means "as if."

218.

Gli diedi il libro perchè lo I gave him the book in leggesse order that he should read it

Perchè with the subjunctive means generally "in order that."

### EXERCISE XXXVI

1. Translate: aperto appaiono fuggo coperse salga sepolto vieni comparvero morto offersi escano muari vennero sofferto ədi sparve apersi apparso coperto compaio morrà offerto salgono oda esce vengono soffersi apparvero musiono verrà.

2. Translate: 1. è proibito che si esca senza ottenere un permesso. 2. Mi era parso molto strano. ma izri l'udii spiegare in un altro modo, ed ora mi pare chiarissimo. 3. Fecero così perchè lui capisse che sapevano di aver ragione. 4. Voleva che tutti salissero. 5. Saputo il fatto, venne aperta una sottoscrizione in favore del poveretto. 6. Dica loro che gli offrano tutto il denaro disponibile. 7. Non permise che gli venissero incontro. 8. Dante morì a Ravenna nel milletrecentoventuno. 9. Fuggì colla scatola come avesse paura che gliela togliessero. 10. Dopo la pioggia viene il bel tempo.

### LIST OF IRREGULAR VERBS

219. The following list is intended to afford a means of identifying forms of irregular verbs (other than avere, essere, and are, dare, stare, fare, and dire, which are studied in Lessons XI-XXI). After each infinitive are given: first, the past participle, if irregular; then all irregular forms of the present indicative; then the first singular of the present subjunctive, if irregular; then the three imperative forms, if they differ from corresponding forms of the present indicative; then the past absolute first singular, if irregular; then the future first singular, if irregular.

Forms separated from each other by semicolons are forms of different tenses. Forms separated from each other by commas are forms of the same tense.

If the first form given after an infinitive ends in -so or -to it is a past participle (except posso and so). If it ends in -o preceded by any other letter than s or t it is present indicative first singular.

All forms ending in -i which are followed by no punctuation or by a semicolon are past absolute first singular (except accortosi, which consists of the past participle accorto and the reflexive si).

It is to be understood that the second and third singular of the present subjunctive are identical with the first singular of that tense; that the first plural is identical with the first plural of the present indicative; that the second plural has the same stem as the first plural, and has the regular ending; and that the third plural has the same stem as the first singular, and has the regular ending.

If the forms of the imperative are not given, it is to be understood that they are identical with the corresponding forms of the present indicative.

If the first singular of the past absolute is irregular, it is to be understood that the third singular and third plural have the same stem, and have respectively the endings -e and -ero.

If the first singular of the future is given, it is to be understood that the same stem appears in all forms of the future and past future.

All forms for which no indication to the contrary is given are regular.

Compound verbs are not given in the list. If, therefore, the form which one desires to identify is a compound form (e.g., if it begins with such a prefix as con-, in-, per-, or ri-) the corresponding simple form should be sought in the list. The list will in such a case serve to locate the form, but will not give the meaning of the verb, which must be sought in the vocabulary (or in a dictionary).

In all verbs of the third conjugation in which the last vowel of the stem is e or o, the e or o has the same quality—open or close—in the stem-stressed present forms as in the infinitive: accendere, accendo; crescere, cresco; correre, corro; mordere, mordo.

Verb forms other than the infinitive have been entered in the main column only when they are alphabetically at some distance from the corresponding infinitive: i.e., when they differ from the infinitive in the second letter, and stand more than two entries away from the infinitive in alphabetical order. This system saves much space; but it means that the student in consulting the list must often look a little above or below the point at which the form he is seeking to identify might be expected to appear.

A few regular forms appear in the list, for various special reasons of convenience: past participles in -ciuto; present forms of aprire, coprire, offrire, and soffrire; and regular forms which alternate in use with irregular forms.

Three examples of the use of the list are given herewith. Suppose it is desired to identify the form siedano: the student finds in the list the entry "siedsee sedere"; turns to the entry sedere; sees the form sieda given as a form of the present subjunctive first singular; thereby identifies siedano as a form of the present subjunctive third plural of sedere; and infers that its meaning is "let them sit." Suppose it is desired to identify the form mosse: the student turns in the list to the point alphabetically proper for such a form; finds no entry beginning mos-, but just below the point in question finds the entry muovere; sees the form mossi given as past absolute first singular;

identifies mosse as past absolute third singular; and infers that its meaning is "he moved." Suppose it is desired to identify the form condotto: the student, after recognizing that condotto is a form of a compound verb, looks for -dotto; finds the entry "-dotto see durre"; turns to -durre; sees -dotto given as past participle; and infers that condotto is the past participle of condurre. For the meaning he must look in the vocabulary.

accendere to light: acceso; accesi

accorgersi to perceive: accortosi; mi accorsi

affliggere to afflict: afflitto; afflissi

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alludere to allude: alluso; allusi

apparire to appear: apparito or apparso; appaio,

appaiono; appaia; apparsi or apparvi

aprire to open: aperto; apro, aprono; apra; aprii or apersi

ardere to burn: arso; arsi

bere or bevere to drink: regular stem bev-; bevvi

cadere to fall: caddi; cadrò

-cedere: -cesso; -cessi

chiedere to ask: chiesto; chiedo or chieggo, chiedono

or chieggono; chieda or chiegga; chiesi

chiudere to close: chiuso; chiusi

cingere to gird: cinto; cinsi

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-cludere: -cluso; -clusi

coc- see cuocere

cogliere to pluck: colto; colgo, colgono; colga; colsi

comparire to appear: comparso; comparisco or compaio, compariscono or compaiono; comparisca or compaia; comparii or comparsi or comparvi

conoscere to know: conosciuto; conobbi

coprire to cover: coperto; copro, coprono; copra; coprii or copersi

correre to run: corso; corsi

crescere to grow: cresciuto; crebbi

cuocere to cook: regular stem coc-; cotto; cuocio or cuoco, cuoci, cuoce, cuociono or cuocono; cuocia or cuoca; cossi

debb-see dovere

decidere to decide: deciso; decisi

dev- see dovere

difendere to defend: difeso; difesi

dirigere to direct: diretto; diressi du ggu - 2 300

discutere to discuss: discusso; discussi

distinguere to distinguish: distinto; distinsi

dividere to divide: diviso; divisi

dolere to pain: dolgo, duoli, duole, dogliamo, dolgono; dolga; dolsi; dorrò

-dotto see durre

dovere to owe: devo or debbo, devi, deve, dobbiamo, devono or debbono; debba; dovrò

duol- see dolere

-durre: regular stem -duc-; -dotto; -dussi; -durrà

esc- see uscire

figgere to fix: fitto; fissi
fingere to feign: finto; finsi

fondere to melt: fuso; fusi

friggere to fry: fritto; frissi 32 fuggire to flee: fuggo, fuggono; fugga

fusi, fuso see fondere

giacere to lie: giaciuto; giaccio, giacciamo, giacciono;

giaccia; giacqui

giocare to play: gioco or giuoco (and -o- or -uo- in all

other stem-stressed forms)

giungere to arrive: giunto; giunsi 32

invadere to invade: invaso; invasi leggere to read: letto; lessi Symmettere to put: messo; misi or messi

mordere to bite: morso; morsi

morire to die: morto; muoio, muori, muore, muoiono; muoia; morrò

muovere to move: regular stem mov-; mosso; muovo, muovi, muove, muovono; muova; mossi

nascere to be born: nato; nacqui

nascondere to hide: nascosto; nascosi

nuocere to harm: regular stem noc-; nuoco, nuoci,

nuoce, nuocono; nuoca; nocqui

od- see udire

-offendere to offend: offeso; offesi

offrire to offer: offerto; offro, offrono; offra; offrii or offersi

parere to seem: parso; paio, paiamo, paiono; paia; parvi; parrò

-pendere: -peso; -pesi

percustere to strike: regular stem percot-; percsso; percuoto, percuoti, percuote, percuotono; percuota; percossi perdere to lose: perduto or perso; perdei or persi persuadere to persuade: persuaso; persuasi piacere to please: piaciuto; piaccio, piacciamo, piacciono; piaccia; piacqui piangere to weep: pianto; piansi pingere to paint: pinto; pinsi piovere to rain: piovve (past abs. 3d sing.) porgere to present: porto; porsi porre to put: regular stem pon-; posto; pongo, pongono; ponga; posi; porrò potere to be able: posso, puoi, può, possiamo, possono; crtoq; sazecq prendere to take: preso; presi -primere: -presso; -pressi proteggere to protect: protetto; protessi pungere to prick: punto; punsi radere to shave: raso; rasi reggere to support: retto; ressi rendere to give back: reso; resi ridere to laugh: riso; risi rimanere to remain: rimasto or rimaso; rimango, rimangono; rimanga; rimasi; rimarrò rispondere to answer: risposto; risposi rodere to gnaw: roso; rosi rompere to break: rotto; ruppi

salire to go up: salgo, salgono; salga

sapere to know: so, sai, sa, sappiamo, sanno; sappia; sappi, sappiamo, sappiate; seppi; saprò

scegliere to choose: scelto; scelgo, scelgono; scelga; scelsi

scendere to go down: sceso: scesi

scingliere to loosen: sciolto: sciolgo, sciolgono; sciolga; sciolsi

scorgere to perceive: scorto; scorsi scrivere to write: scritto; scrissi

scuptere to shake: regular stem scot-; scosso; scupto. scupti, scupte, scuptono; scupta; scpsi

sedere to sit: siedo or seggo, siedi, siede, siedono or seggono; sieda or segga

seppellire to bury: seppellito or sepolto

seppi see sapere sied- see sedere -sistere: -sistito so see sapere

soffrire to suffer: sofferto; soffro, soffrono; soffra; soffrii or soffersi

solere to be accustomed: solito; soglio, suoli, suole, sogliamo, sogliono; soglia

-solvere: -soluto

sonare to sound: sono or suono (and -o- or -uo- in all other stem-stressed forms)

sorgere to rise: sorto; sorsi

spargere to scatter: sparto or sparso; sparsi

sparire to disappear: sparii or sparvi spegnere to put out: spento: spensi

spendere to spend: speso: spesi

spingere to push: spinto; spinsi sporgere to project: sporto; sporsi stringere to bind: stretto; strinsi struggere to melt: strutto; strussi

· suol- see solere

suon- see sonare

tacere to be silent: taciuto; taccio, tacciamo, tacciono;

taccia; tacqui

tendere to extend: teso; tesi

tenere to hold: tengo, tieni, tiene, tengono; tenga; tenni; terrò

tingere to dye: tinto; tinsi

togliere to take: tolto; tolgo, tolgono; tolga; tolsi tonare to thunder: tono or tuono (and -o- or -uo- in all

other stem-stressed forms)
tarcere to twist: tarto; tarsi

trarre to draw: regular stem tra-; tratto; traggo, traggono; tragga; trassi; trarrò

tuon- see tonare

- uccidere to kill: ucciso; uccisi

udire to hear: odo, odi, ode, odono; oda

ungere to anoint: unto; unsi

uscire to go out: esco, esci, esce, escono; esca

valere to be worth: valuto or valso; valgo, valgono; valga; valsi; varrò

vedere to see: veduto or visto; vidi; vedrò

venire to come: venuto; vengo, vieni, viene, vengono;

venga; venni; verrò

vincere to conquer: vinto; vinsi

visto see vedere

vivere to live: vissuto; vissi; vivrò

volere to wish: voglio or vo', vuoi, vuole, vogliamo, vogliate; vogliate; vogliate; volli;

vorrà

volgere to turn: volto; volsi

## THE PRONUNCIATION OF E, O, S, AND Z

220. The following statements will afford some guidance in the pronunciation of the four doubtful letters when reading books in which phonetic symbols are not used. No symbols are used in the words given as examples in this section.

Unstressed e is always close.

cessare empire deridere

Stressed e is close in the endings -esco, -ese, -essa, -etto, -ezza, -mente, -mento.

Francesco poveretto facilmente

Stressed e is open in the endings -ello, -ente, -enza. fratello evidente eloquenza

Stressed e is open in the group ie.

diede Pietro viene

Unstressed o is always close.

confidare operaio ottagono

Stressed o is close in the endings -oce, -oio, -one, -ore, -oso.

croce azione dottore

# Stressed o is open in the group uo. buono cuore suoi

O with a grave accent is open.

S before the voiceless consonants (c, f, p, t) has the voiceless sound (that of s in "sister")

### bosco spero resta

S before the voiced consonants (b, d, g, l, m, n, r, v) has the voiced sound (that of s in "rose").

### sbaglio sradicare risma

S before a vowel, when initial or preceded by a consonant, has the voiceless sound.

### sempre penso corso

S between vowels has the voiceless sound in the common words casa, cosa, cosi, naso, and Pisa; in many other words; and in the ending -oso.

### susina risposi luminoso

S between vowels has the voiced sound in many words.

### caso rosa esame

Z has the voiceless sound (that of ts in "gets") in most words.

### zampa senza azione

Z has the voiced sound (that of dz in "adze") in the common words azzurro, dozzina, mezzo, pranzo, and romanzo; and in some other words.

### VOCABULARY

This vocabulary includes all words which appear in exercise sections involving translation, except cardinal and ordinal numerals, for which see Sections 143-45 and 203, and words which do not appear in any exercise other than that of the lesson in which they are specifically studied.

In many cases reference to a section or sections in which a word is specifically studied appears together with or instead of translation. Each irregular verb is followed either by a section number or by the word List. which serves as reference to the List of Irregular Verbs.

In the case of regular verbs the first singular present indicative form is given in parenthesis if the stressed vowel in that form is e or o or is not the next-to-last vowel of the form.

Nouns ending in o are masculine and those ending in a are feminine, unless indication to the contrary is given; except that surnames are not in themselves either masculine or feminine.

#### A

a to, at, in, on, by, of; 46, 47, 181, 193 abitare (abito) to live accanto a beside accompagnare to accompany addio goodbye adesso now affare m. matter agire to act aiutare to help albero tree Alessandro Alexander allora then almeno at least alto high altro other; izr l'- day before vesterday amico friend amore m. love

anche also, too, even ancora still, yet, again, more andare to go; andarsene to go away, go; 113-15, 117, 118 anno vear antico ancient, old appena hardly architettura architecture arrivare to arrive arrivo arrival arte f. art artista m. artist aspettare (aspetto) to wait for, wait, expect attore m. actor attorno a around augurare (auguro) to wish automobile m. automobile autore m. author avanti forward

avere to have; 66, 67, 75, 76, 149

avvocato lawyer azione f. action

B

bacio kiss badia abbev bastare to be enough battere to beat bello beautiful, fine; 57 benchè although bene well Bianchi surname biblioteca library biglietto ticket, bill bisognare (bisogna) to be necessarv Bologna Bologna bosco wood bravissimo verv good Bruni surname brutto ugly buono good: 100

#### C

cadere List to fall
cambiare (cambio) to change
campo field
cantare to sing
capire to understand
cappello hat
cappellone m. big hat
carta paper
casa house, home
castello castle
Castiglione surname
catalogo catalogue

cavare to take out ce 104 cedere (cedo) to give up centingio hundred cercare (cerco) to seek, search, look for certo certain; adv. certainly che conj. 59, 111, 194, 197, 211 che pron. 119, 120, 125, 126, 164 chi 109, 110, 177 chiacchierare (chiacchiero) to chatter chiamare to call chiarissimo very clear chiaro clear; adv. clearly chiudere List to close, shut ci adv. 87, 198, 199 ci pron. 86 cielo sky, heaven città city colazione f. lunch, breakfast collezione f. collection come as; 217 cominciare (comincio) to begin commedia comedy composition f. composition comprare (compro) to buy con with; 46, 47 concedere List to concede concludere to conclude concorso competition condurre List to conduct. take consigliare (consiglio) to advise conte m. count contentissimo much pleased contento content, pleased conto bill

copia copy cosa thing; what; 119 così so, as costare (costo) to cost credere (credo) to believe, think crescere List to grow croce f. cross cugino cousin cui 132, 133 cuore m. heart cupola dome

#### D

da from, by, for, at or to the house of; 46, 47, 150, 151 Dante m. Dante dare to give; 121 decidere List to decide decina about ten denaro money dente m. tooth di of, by, than; 39, 40, 59, 164, 167, 181 distro behind, after difficile difficult dimostrare (dimostro) to prove dire to say, tell; voler —, to mean; 135 disgrazia misfortune displacere List to displease disponibile available dito finger divertire (diverto) to enjoy; refl. to amuse one's self domanda question domandare to ask domani tomorrow

dopo after dormire (dormo) to sleep dottore m. doctor dove where: 177 dovere. List to owe: 166

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e and; 146, 177 è is ecco here is; 156 effige f. effigy egli 124 ella 124 eminente eminent entrare (entro) to enter, go in eppure and yet esame m. examination esistere to exist esprimere to express essa, esse 124 essere to be, happen; 90, 91, 95, 123, 131, 142, 177 essi, esso 124 estate f. summer estero foreign; all' - abroad

fabbrica factory faccia face facile easy fama fame famiglia family famoso famous fare to do, make, have, act, be, manage, ask, eat, paint; — male a, to hurt; — vedere to show; refl. to become. go; farsi vedere, to appear. 127-131

fato fate fatto fact favore m. favor fermare (fermo) to stop; refl. to stop fico fig figlio son figliuolo son filosofia philosophy finalmente finally finche until: 206 finestra window finire to finish fino until; — a to fiorentino Florentine Firenze f. Florence fondo depth, distance formare (formo) to form forse perhaps forte strong; adv. loudly fortissimo verv strong fortuna good fortune fra between, within francese French frase f. sentence fratello brother freddamente coldly freddo cold fresco fresh fretta haste fuoco fire; — di gicia bonfire fuori out. outside

G

galantuomo honest man gamba leg Genova Genoa

già already gicia joy: fucco di -- bonfire giornale m. newspaper giorno dav giovane young giudice m. judge giugno June Giulio Julius giungere List to arrive; - a to reach gli art. 26; see also il gli pron. 71 glie 108 godere (godo) to enjoy grande great: 101 gridare to shout guanto glove guardare to look, look at guidare to guide

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ha has hanno have

I

i 26; see also il
idea idea
ieri yesterday; — l'altro day
before yesterday
il 22, 26, 39, 40, 46, 47, 105,
106, 139, 140, 141, 152, 180
imparare to learn
impedire to prevent
importante important
importantissimo very important
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incontro: andare — a to go to meet indictro back, backward indurre List to induce inglese English intelligente intelligent intenzione f. intention invece instead inverno winter io 124
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L la art. 22, 141; see also il la pron. 72, 74, 134, 157 là there [129 lasciare (lascio) to leave, let; lavoro work le art. 26; see also il le pron. 72, 73, 74, 93, 134 leggere List to read leggero light lei 124 Leone m. Leo lesto quick; alla lesta quickly lettera letter letterato man of letters lezione f. lesson li 92, 134 lì there libro book [about 20 cents lingua tongue lira lira, a coin normally worth lo art. 22; see also il lo pron. 70, 134 Lorenzo Lawrence loro 94, 105, 106, 124

lui 124

lume m. light
lunedi Monday
lungo long; più a — , longer

M ma but madre f. mother maestro master, conductor mai never, ever malato sick male badly; m. harm; far — a, to hurt mandare to send mangiare (mangio) to eat maniera manner mano f. hand mare m. sea Maria Marv Mario Marius martedì Tuesday matita pencil mattina morning me 104, 124 Medici surname medico doctor meglio better memoria memory meno less, least; 144 mentre while mese m, month metà half mettere List to put; refl. to put on mezzo half mezzogiorno noon mi 63-65 milanese Milanese

minuto minute

mio 105, 106
modo way
moglie f. wife
molto much, very much, very
momento moment, minute
mondo world
moneta coin
montagna mountain
monte m. mountain
morte f. death
movimento motion
musica music

#### N

napoletano Neapolitan Napoli f. Naples Natale m. Christmas ne adv. 99, 117 ne pron. 98 necessario necessary nemmeno, non ... - not even nessuno, non ... - no one Niccolà Nicholas niente nothing; non fa -, it doesn't make any difference no no. not noble noble noi 124 nome m. name nominare (nomino) to name non not; - ... che only, not . . . until; 41, 111, 164. 206 nostro 105, 106 notizia news; pl. news noto known nuovo new

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o conj. or; 177
o interj. oh; 194
occhio eye
oggi today
ogni every
ombra shade
onore m. honor
opinione f. opinion
ora adv. now; or —, just now
ora n. hour
orchestra orchestra
ottenere List to obtain

### P

pacco package paesaggio landscape paese m. country paga pay pagare to pay paio pair, couple palazzo palace pane m. bread papa m. pope parco park parecchi several ' parere List to seem: 159 parlare to speak parola word parte f. part partire to leave passato past patriarca m. patriarch paura fear: aver - , to be afraid peggio worse pena trouble

pensare (penso) to think pensatore m. thinker pensiero thought per for, to, through, by, because of; 46, 47, 123 perchè why, because, in order that: 218 perdere List to lose perdonare (perdono) to pardon permesso permit permettere List to permit però however persuadere List to persuade piacere List to please; m. pleasure, favor piazzetta little square Pio Pius pioggia rain pittore m. painter pittura painting più more, most, any more. any longer: 58 piuttosto rather poco little poderetto little farm poesia poetry poem poeta m. poet poi then, afterward ponte m. bridge popolare popular porre List to put porta door portafogli m. pocketbook portare (porto) to carry, wear possibile possible potere List to be able: 169 poveretto poor fellow pranzo dinner

praticare (pratico) to associate [with prego praver prendere List to take presentare (presento) to present presenza presence prima before, first; — di, before probabilmente probably professore m. professor profondo deep proibire to forbid prontissimo very ready proseguire (proseguo) to continue prossimo next provare (provo) to try pubblicare (pubblico) to publish punto point: non . . . —. not at all pure yet: — troppo unfortunately

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quercia oak
questo this
qui here

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ragazzo boy
ragione f. reason; aver — to
be right

Ravenna Ravenna re m. king regalo present regola rule restare (resto) to stav ricco rich ricevere (ricevo) to receive ricoprire List to cover again riferire to report rimanere List to remain Rinascimento Renaissance ringraziare (ringrazio) to thank ripetere (ripeto) to repeat risoluzione f, decision risolvere List to decide rispondere List to answer risposta answer ritornare (ritorno) to return ritratto portrait ritrovare (ritrovo) to discover riuscire List to succeed Roma Rome romanzo novel rose rose rosso red rovina ruin salire List to go up salotto parlor salvare to save santo saint; 101, 112 sapere List to know, be able; 160, 164 scala stair scatola box scialle m. shawl scienza science

scommettere List to bet scontro collision scordarsi di (scordo) to forget scrivere List to write scultura sculpture 1207 se conj. if, whether; 111, 201, se pron. 116 sè 124 secolo century secondo according to seguire (seguo) to follow sembrare (sembro) to seem sempre always senatore m, senator sentire (sento) to feel, hear, find out; 128, 129 senza without; 211 servire (servo) to serve settimana week si 78-80, 96, 97, 196 sì yes siciliano Sicilian Siena Siena signore m. gentleman, sir sindaco mayor sistema m. system Sisto Sixtus società society soldato soldier soltanto only sonare List to sound, be heard sono are soprabito overcoat sorellina little sister sorridere to smile sotto under; - voce in a low **Voice** 

sottoscrizione f. subscription specchio mirror sperare (spero) to hope spesa expense spesso often spiegare (spiego) to explain stamane this morning stare to stand, be, stay; 122, 123 stasera this evening stato state stazione f. station stesso same, self stile m. style straccio rag stranissimo very strange strano strange studiare (studio) to study studio study su on; 46, 47 subito at once suo 105, 106, 134 suona see sonare Svizzera Switzerland

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